Something About the Moon Collection

Solo Piano Pieces

by

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from the recording, "Something About the Moon"

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COMPOSER'S NOTES

- *Melody is of the utmost importance.*
- *Use finger substitution extensively to achieve a legato melody.*
- *Observe that two voices often occupy the same staff.*
- *Sometimes reduced notes are used as either optional notes to be played or to show the continuation of a melodic idea.*
- *Each piece of music is an entity. These pieces were "captured" once in the sound recording, "**Something About the Moon**". These written scores may vary a bit from the recorded versions, but that's okay. Every performance will be/should be slightly different.*
- *Notes are negotiable! … meaning, these written notes will render a realistic performance if every note is played exactly as written. However, as long as the performer remains true to the identity of each piece, notes may be added or deleted (especially in the left hand accompaniment parts).*
- *Although too cumbersome to notate each instance, I often hold down the lower note of an octave in the left hand.*
- *This piano solo was transcribed by the composer.*

Peace,

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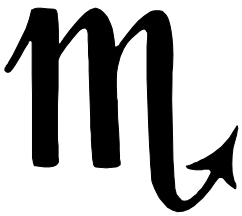

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for my wife, Katja

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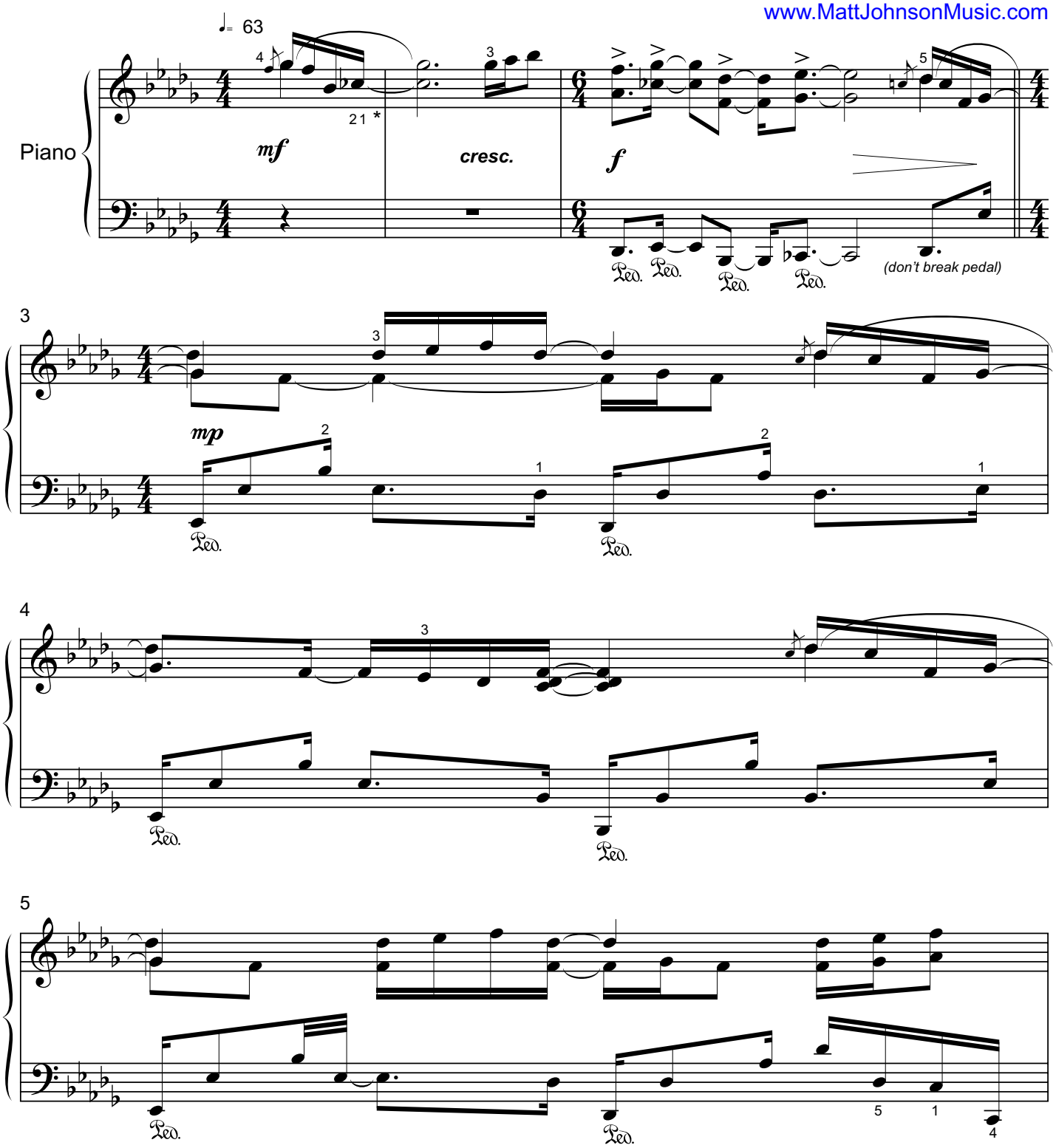

* - finger substitution

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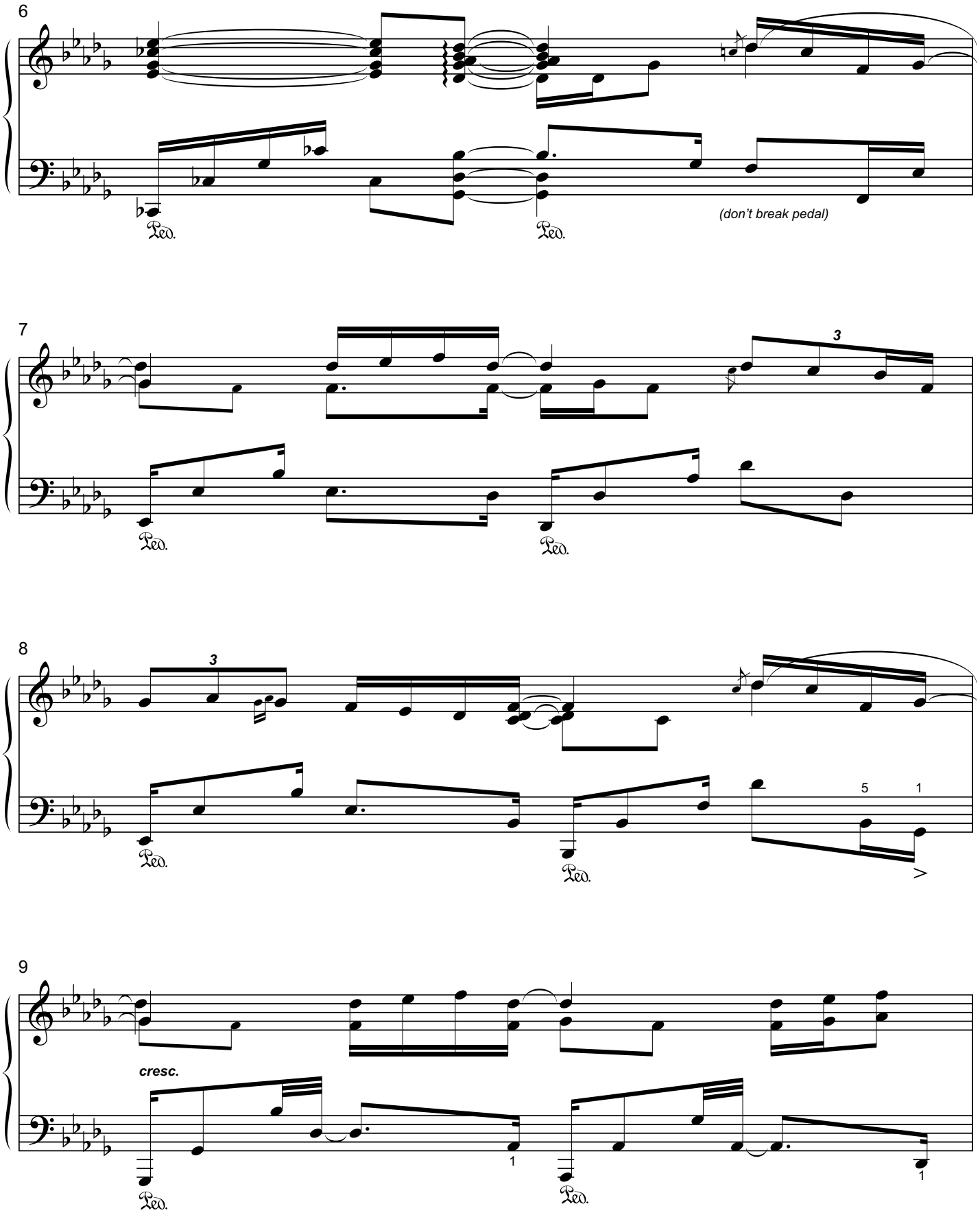
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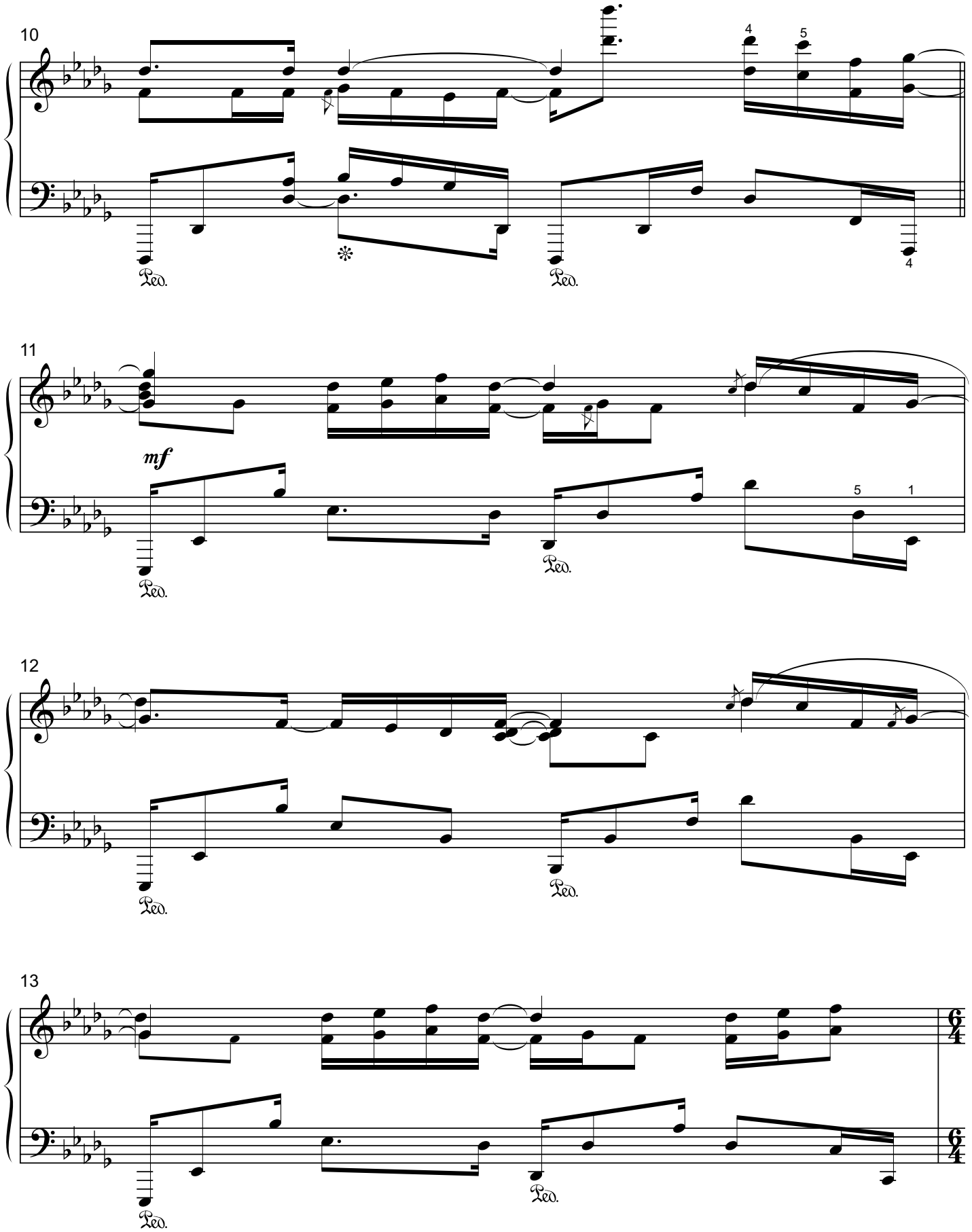
(don't break pedal)
7
3
8
3
5
1
9
cresc.
1
1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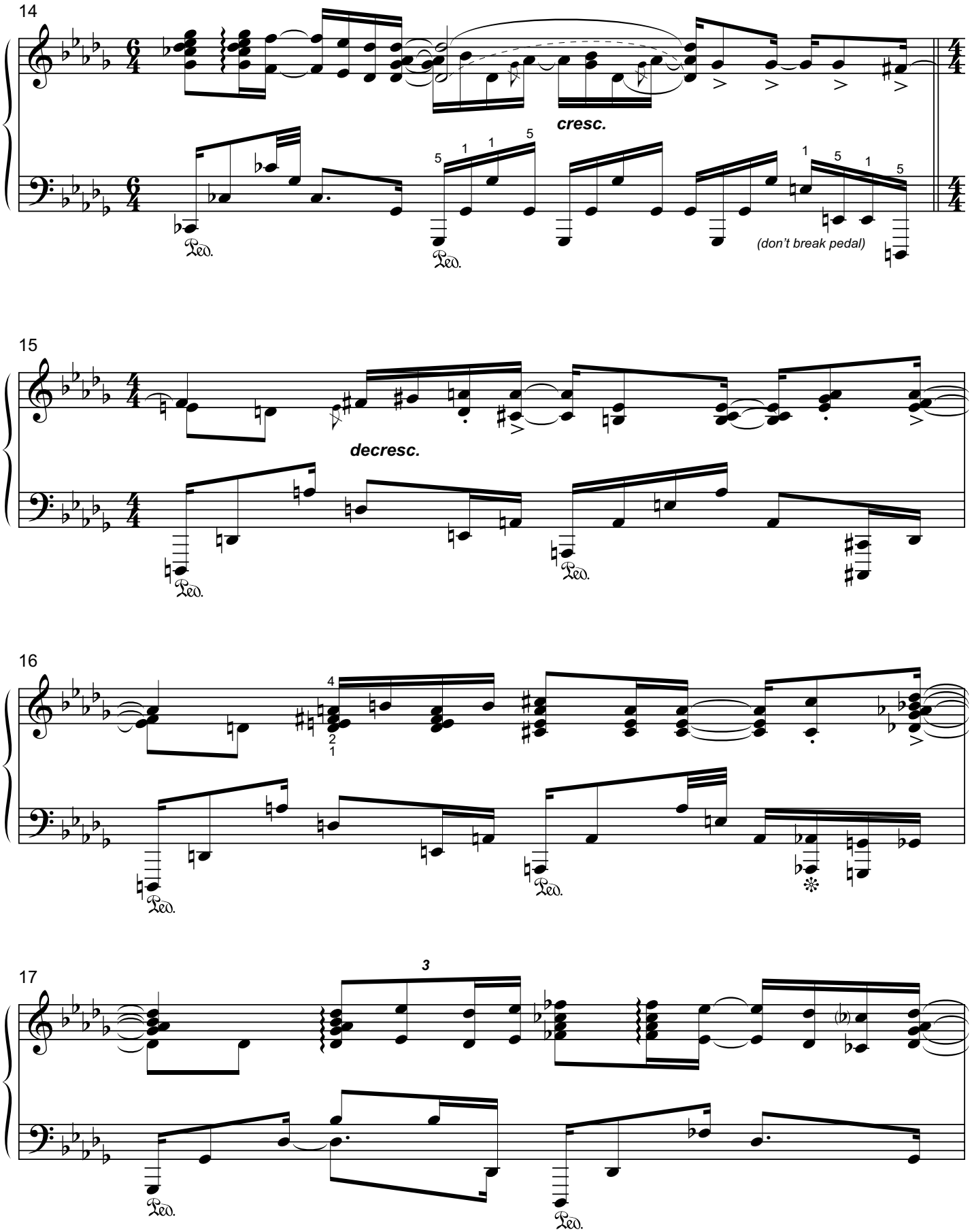
mf
12
13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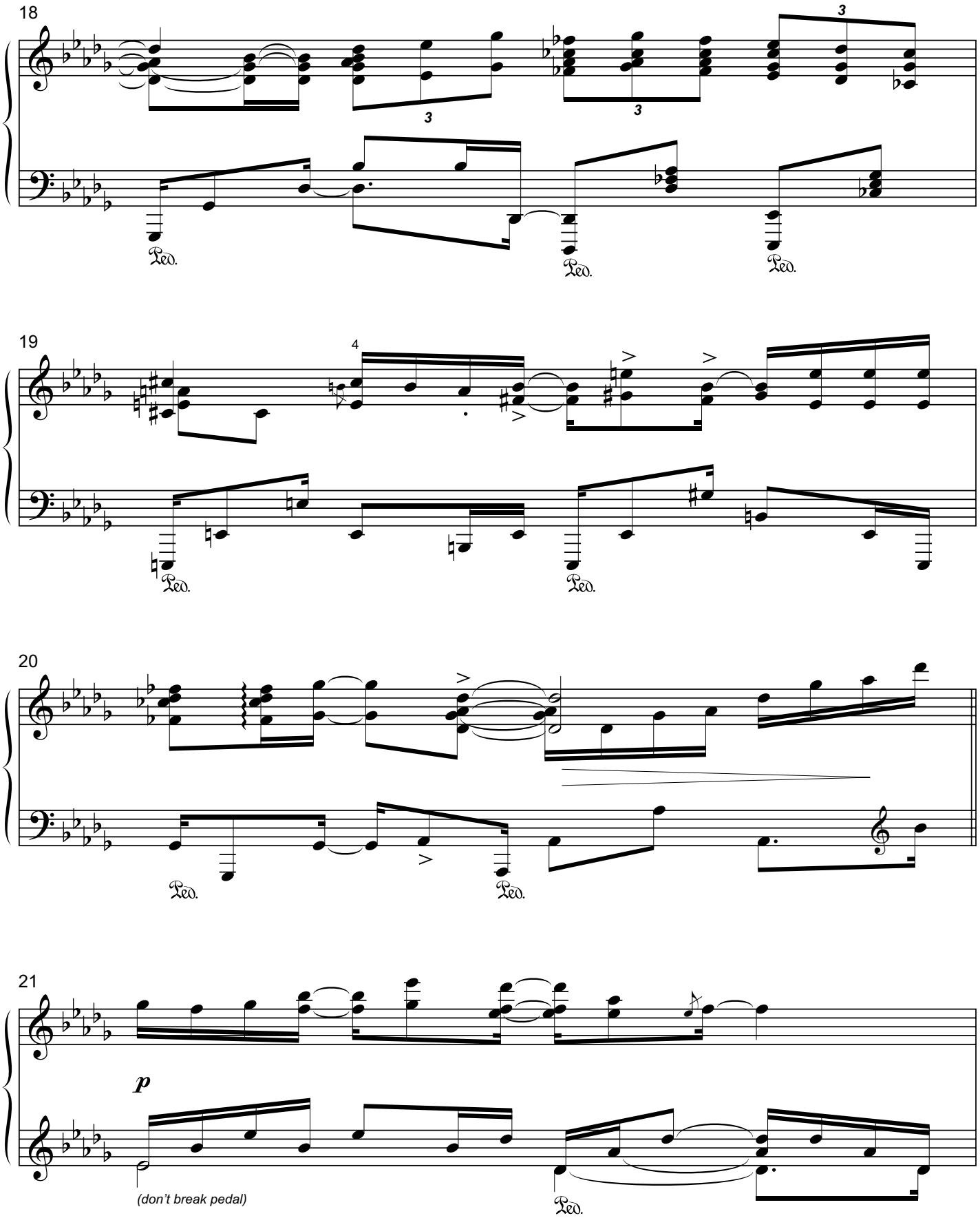
cresc.
(don't break pedal)
15
decresc.
16
17
3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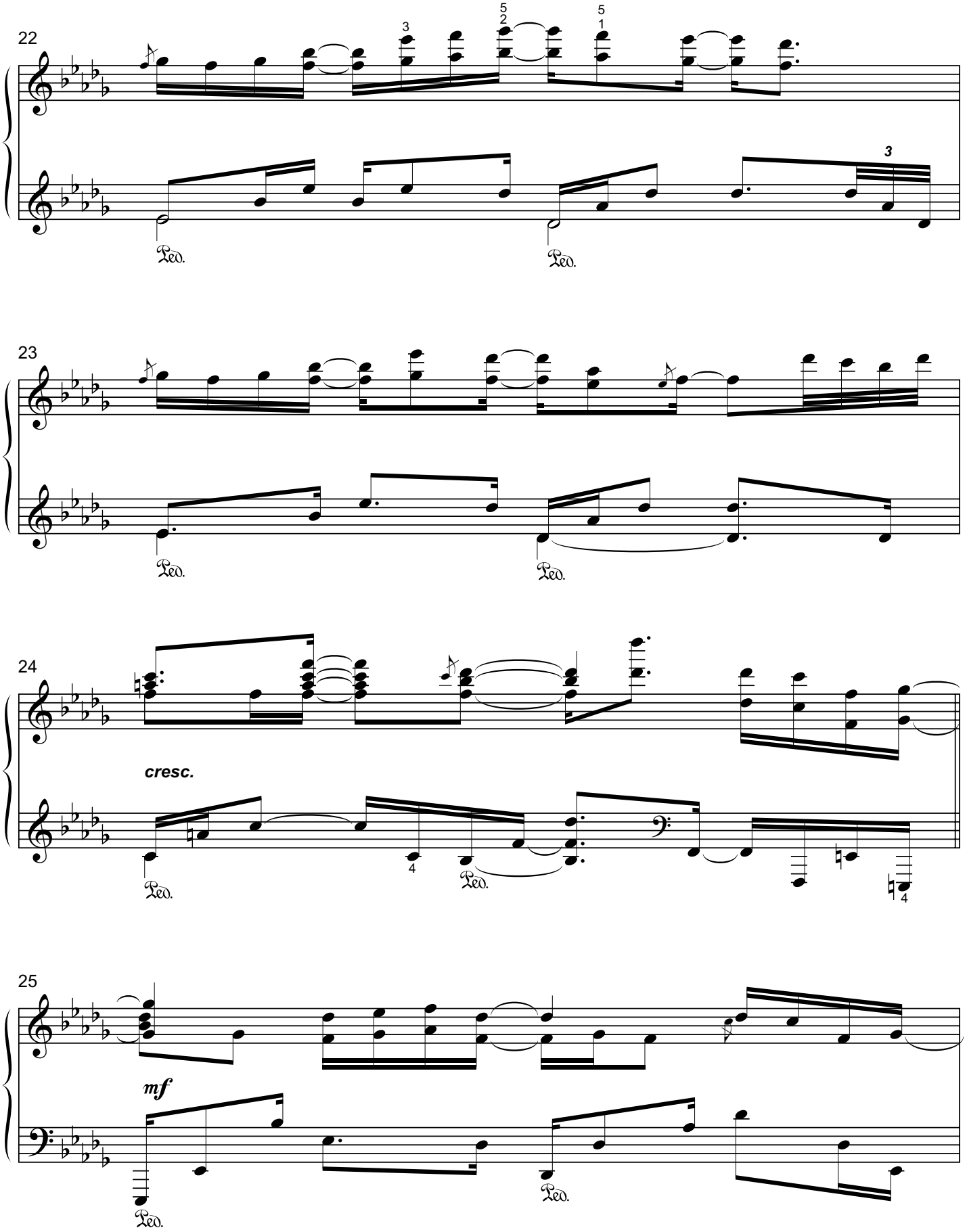
19
20
21
p
(don't break pedal)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cresc.
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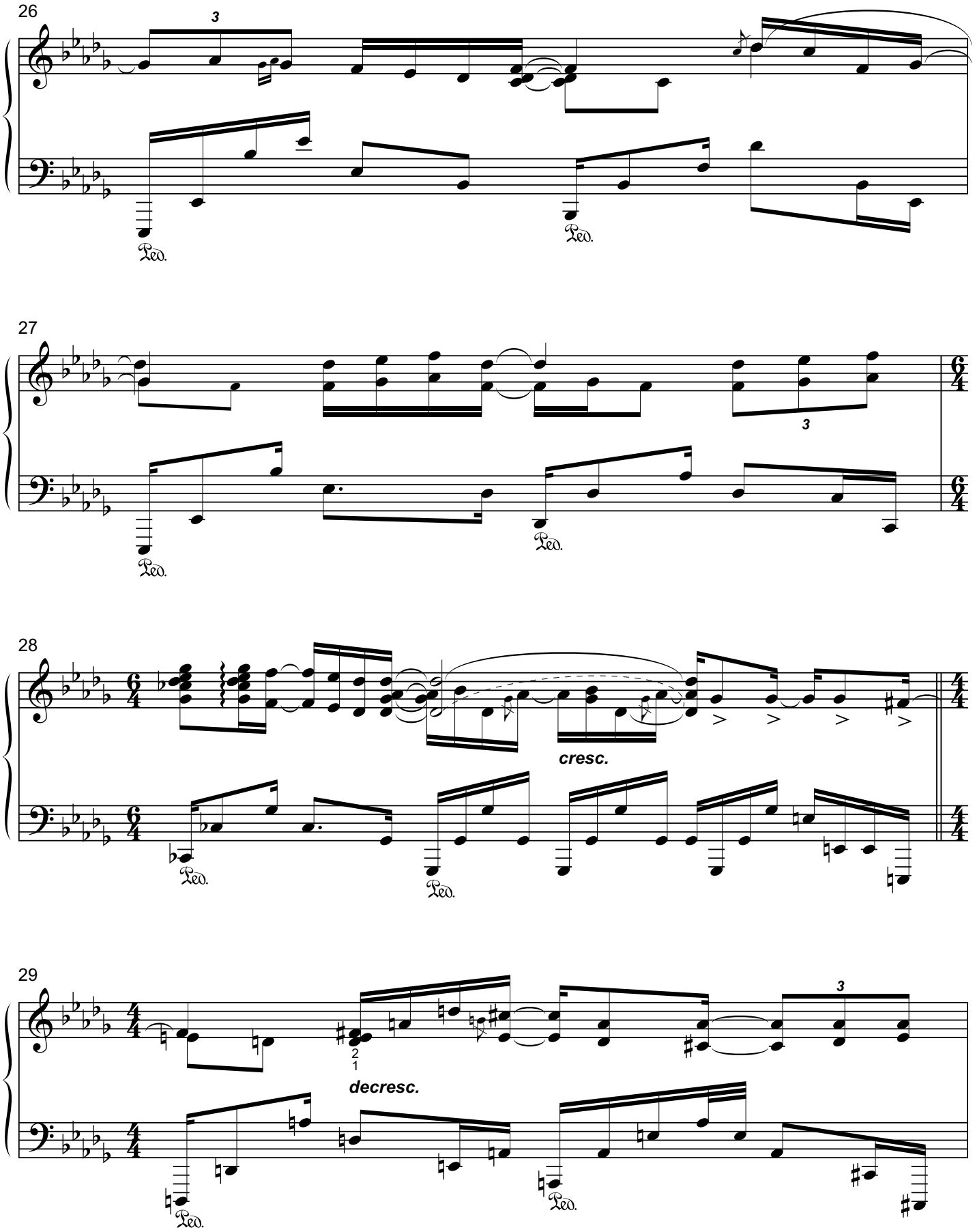
mf


26
3
Ped.
Ped.
27
3
Ped.
Ped.
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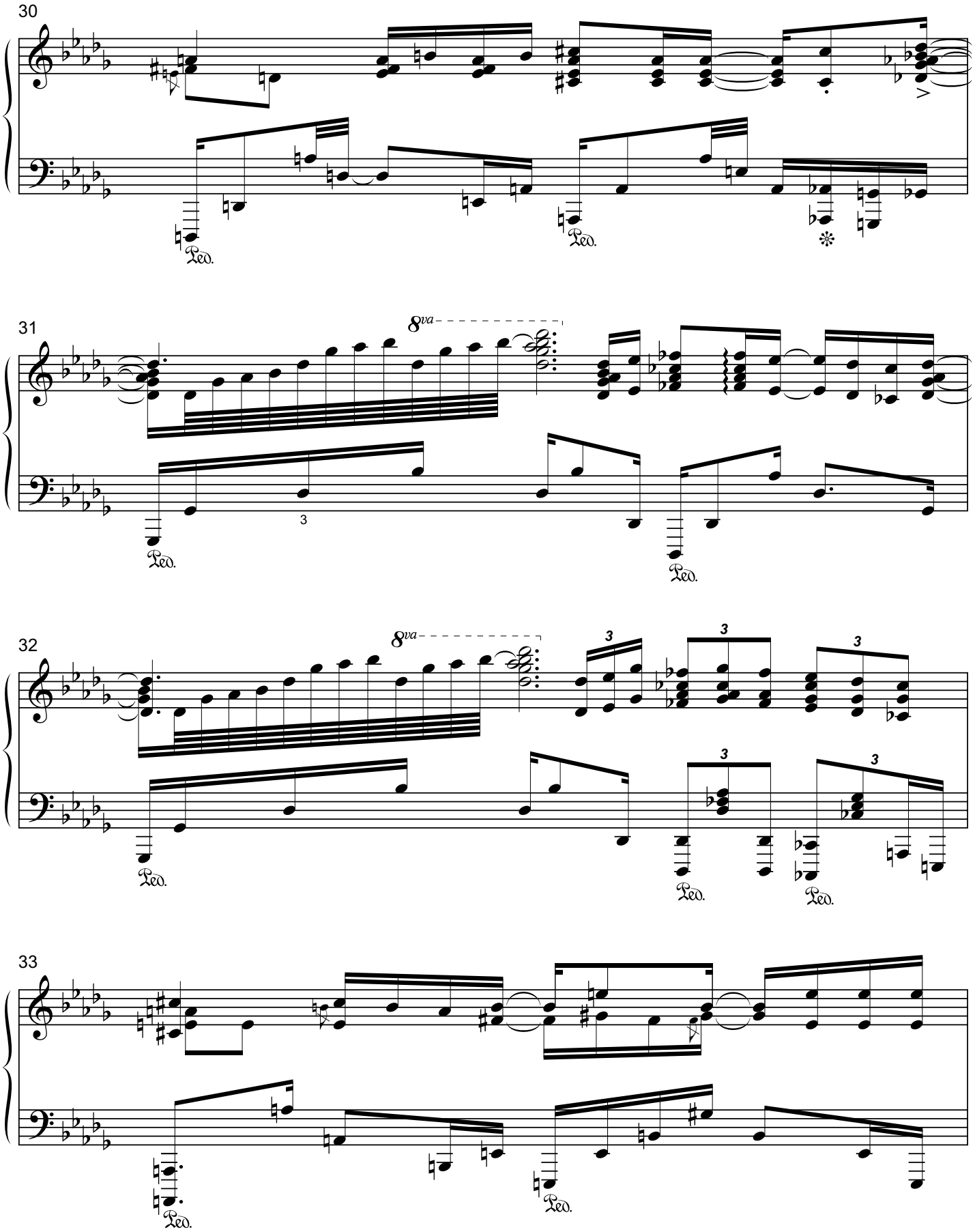
cresc.
Ped.
Ped.
29
3
2
1
decresc.
Ped.
Ped.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31
8va
3
32
8va
3
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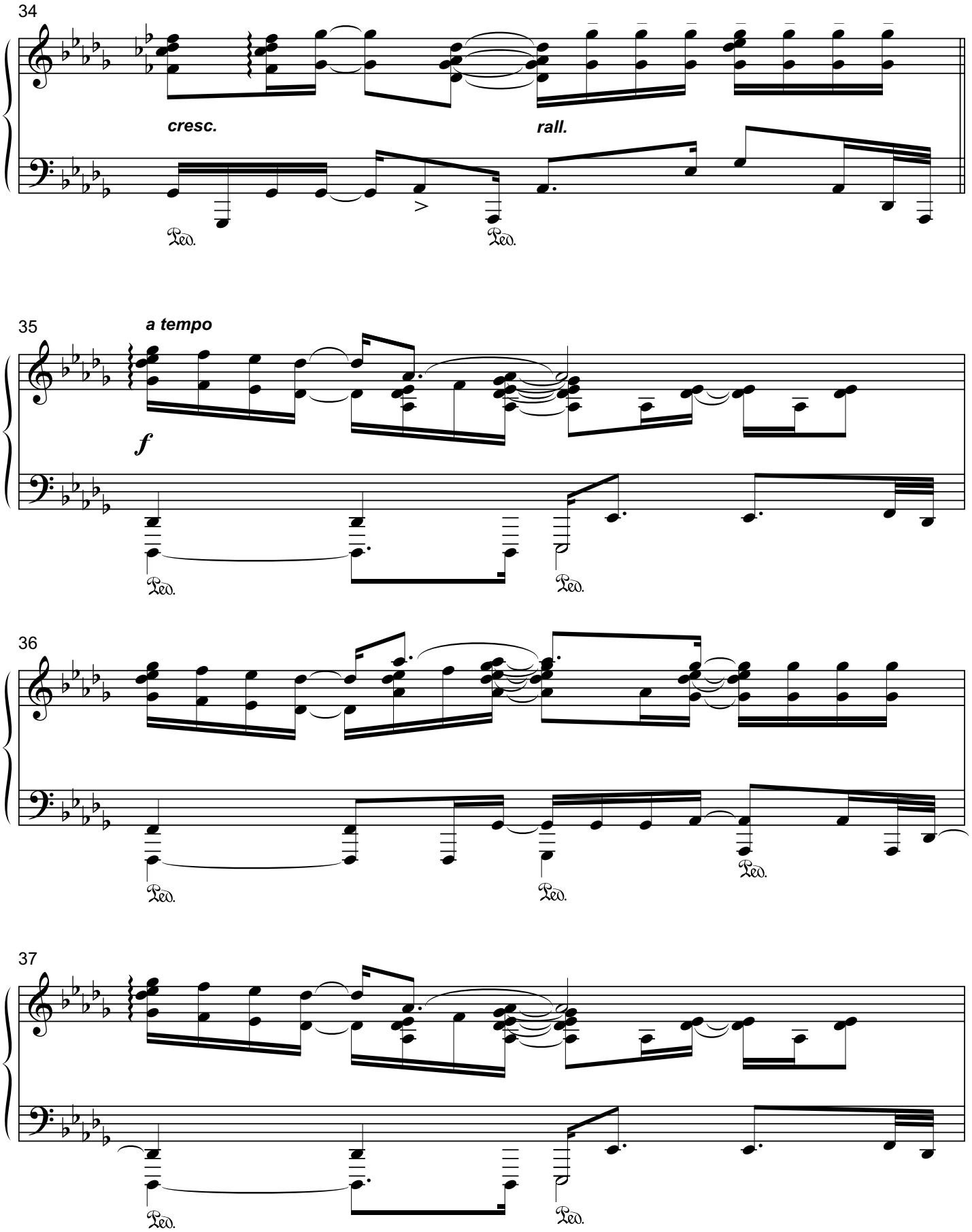
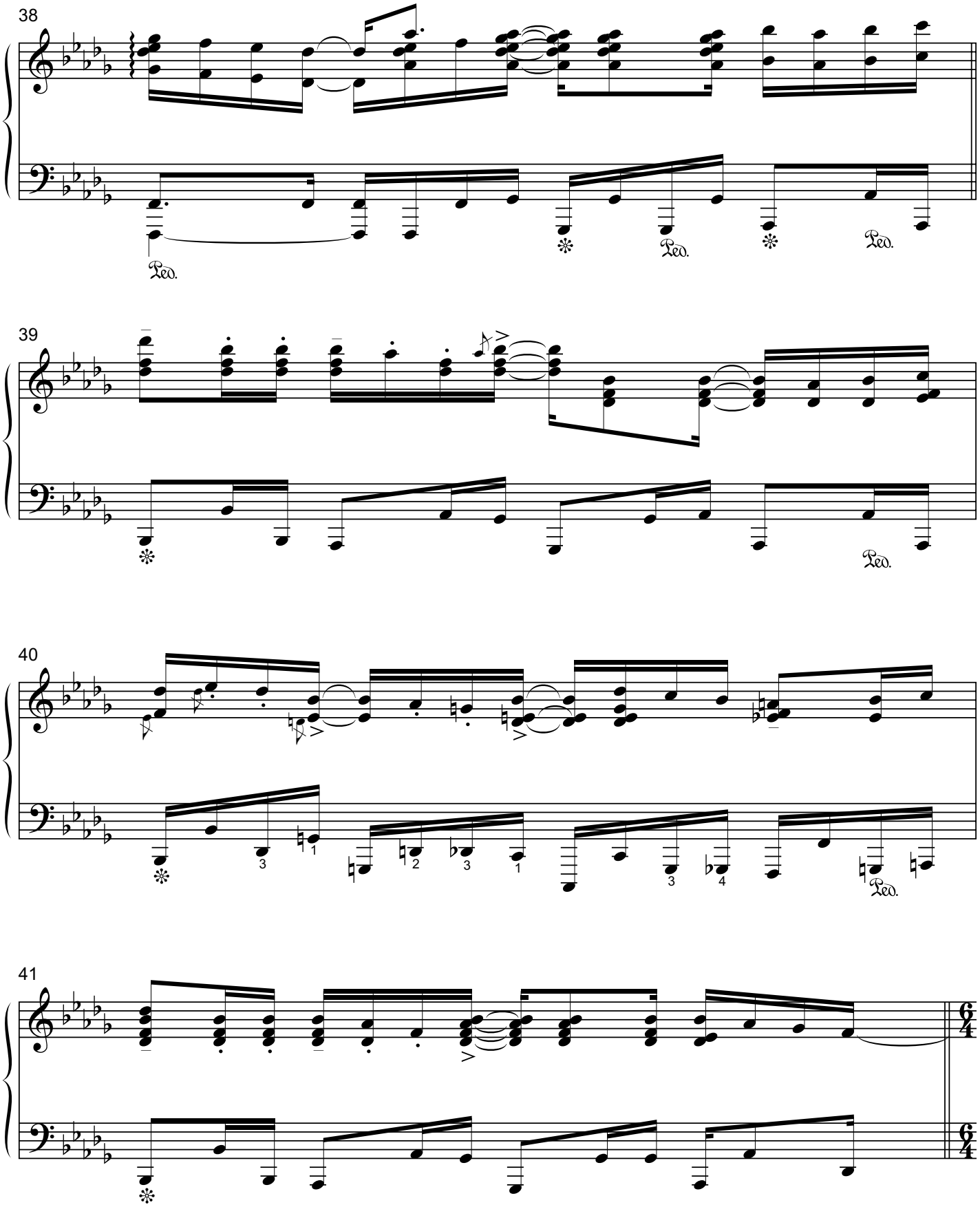

34
cresc.
rall.
Ped.
Ped.
35
a tempo
f
Ped.
Ped.
36
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
37
Ped.
Ped.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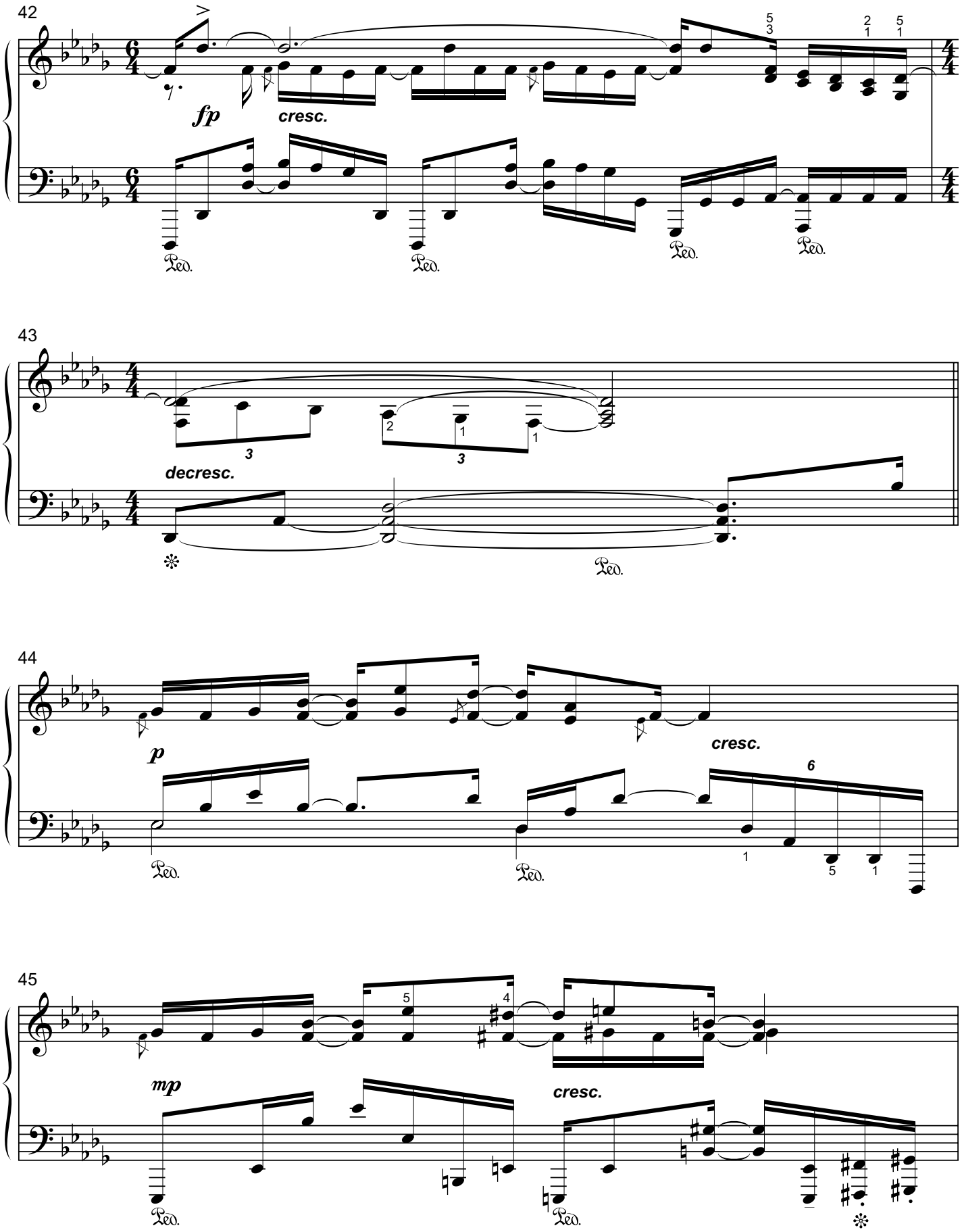
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
39
Ped.
40
Ped.
41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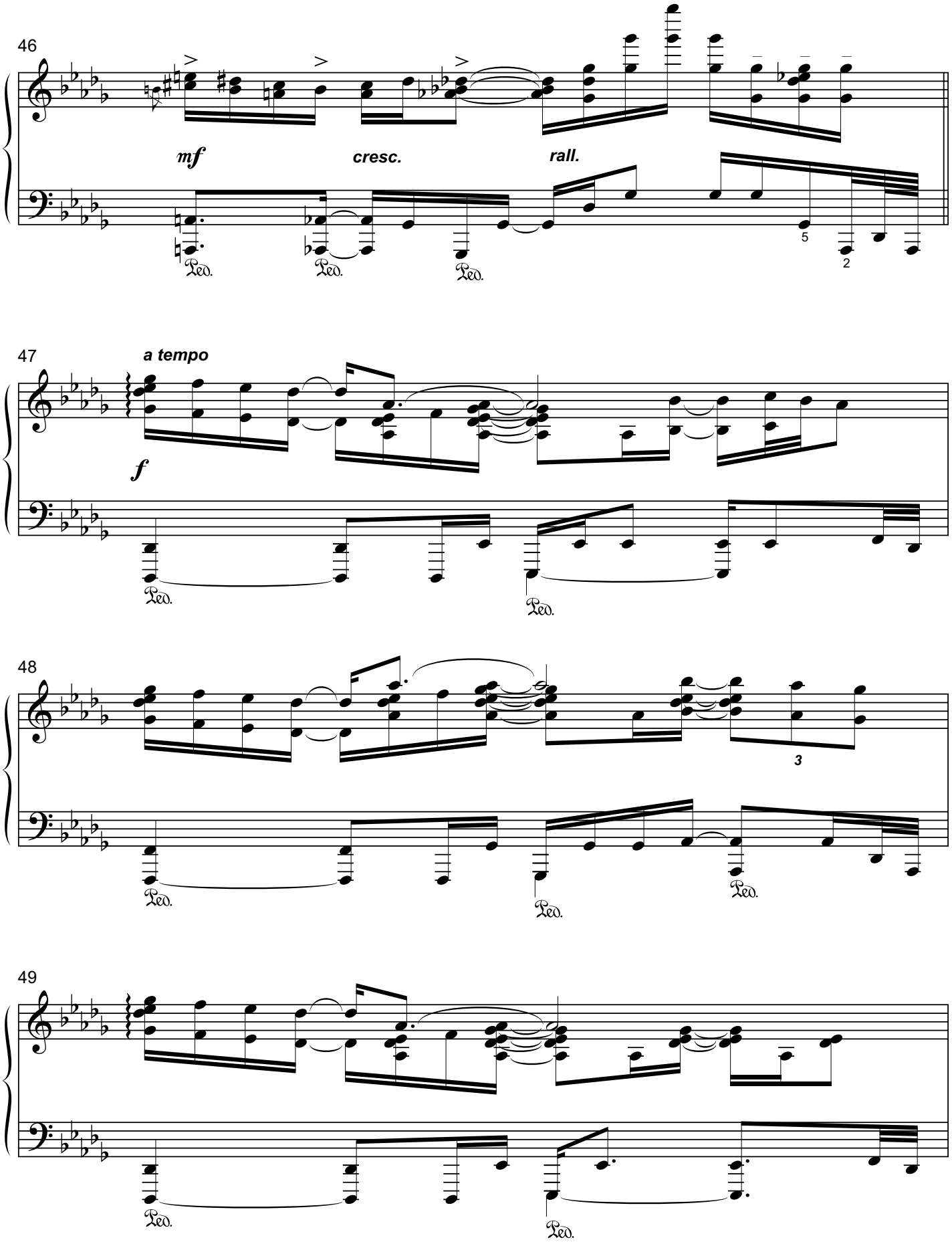
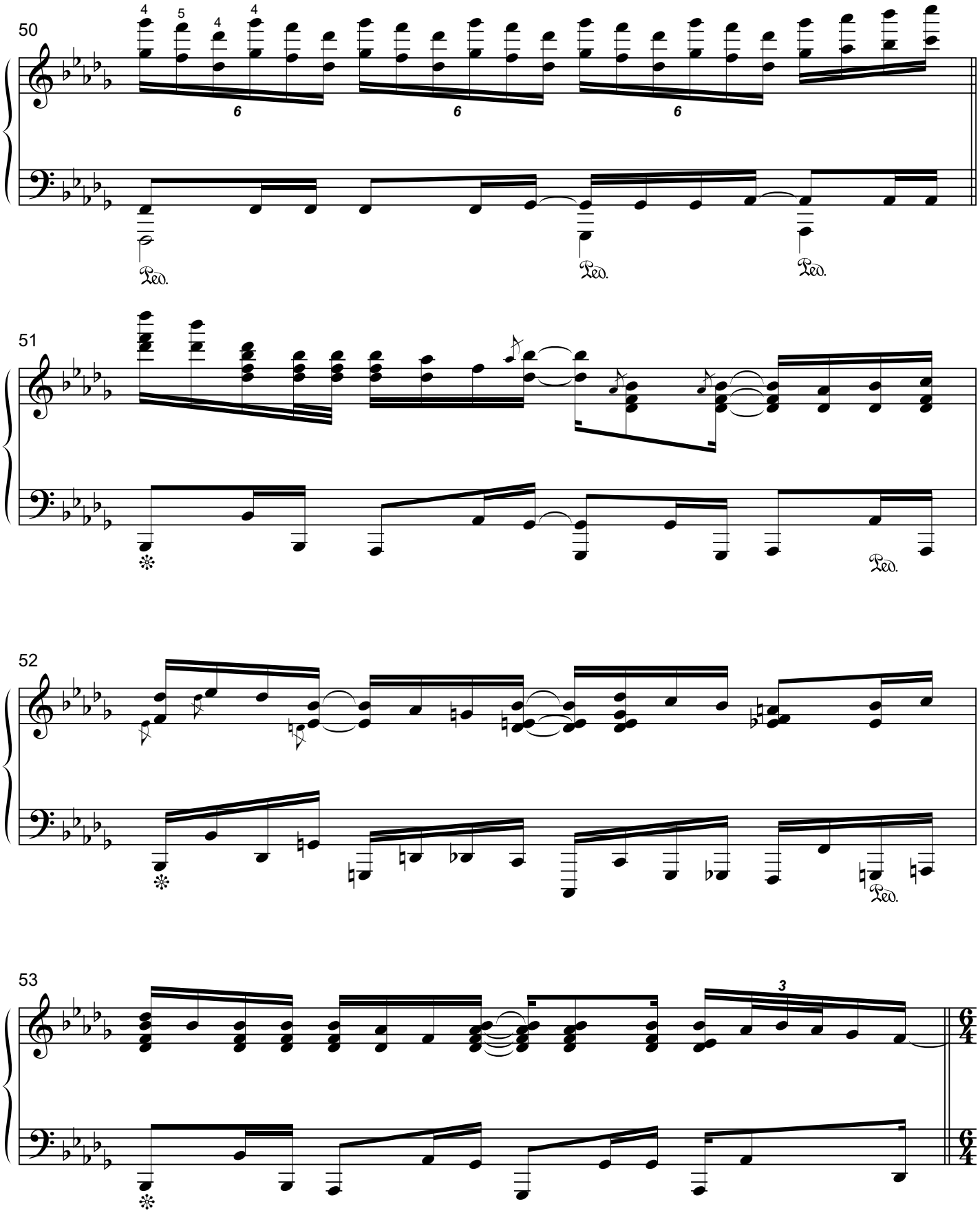
fp
cresc.
43
decresc.
44
p
cresc.
45
mp
cresc.


46
mf
cresc.
rall.
5
2
47
a tempo
f
48
3
49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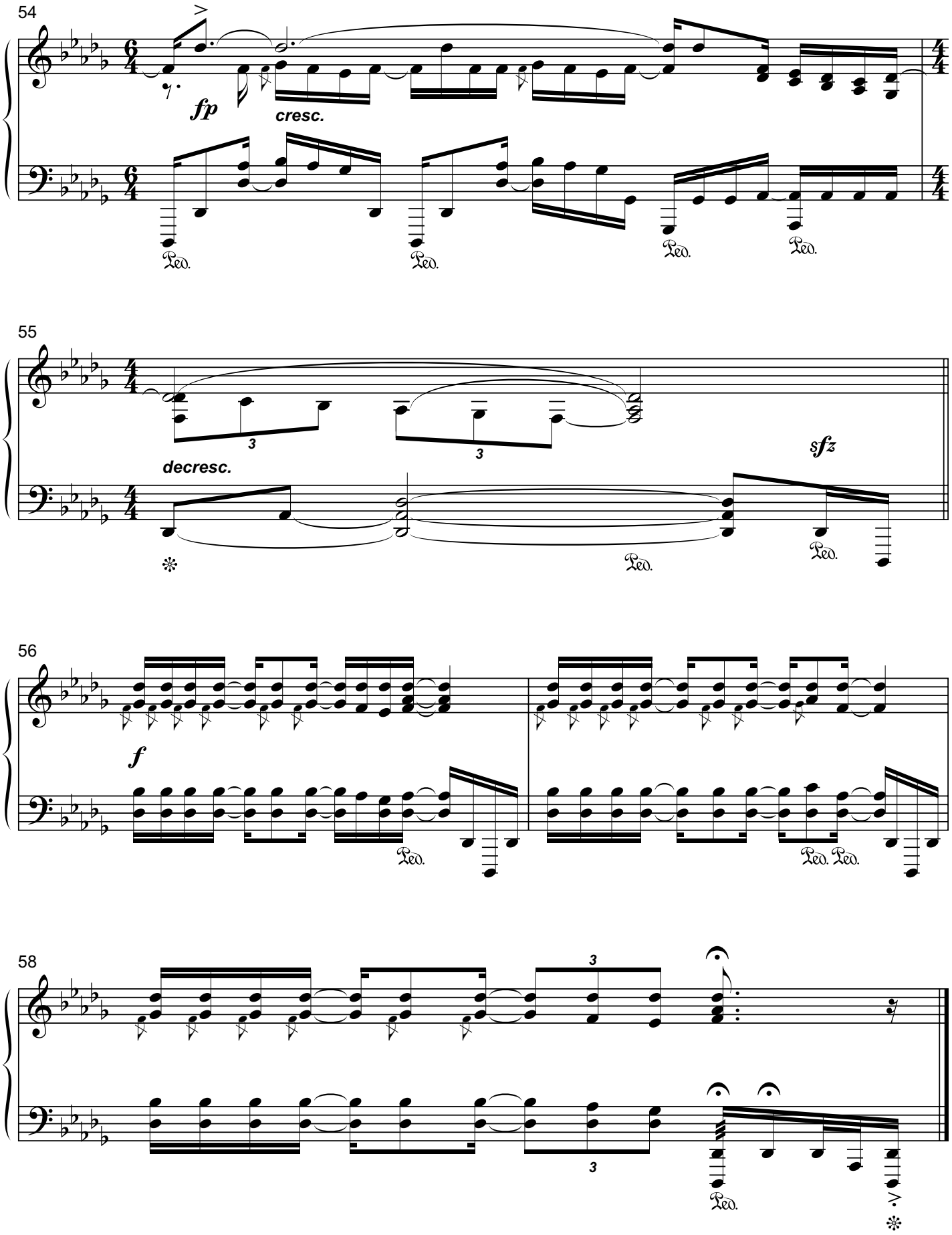
51
52
53


54
fp
cresc.
55
decresc.
sfz
56
f
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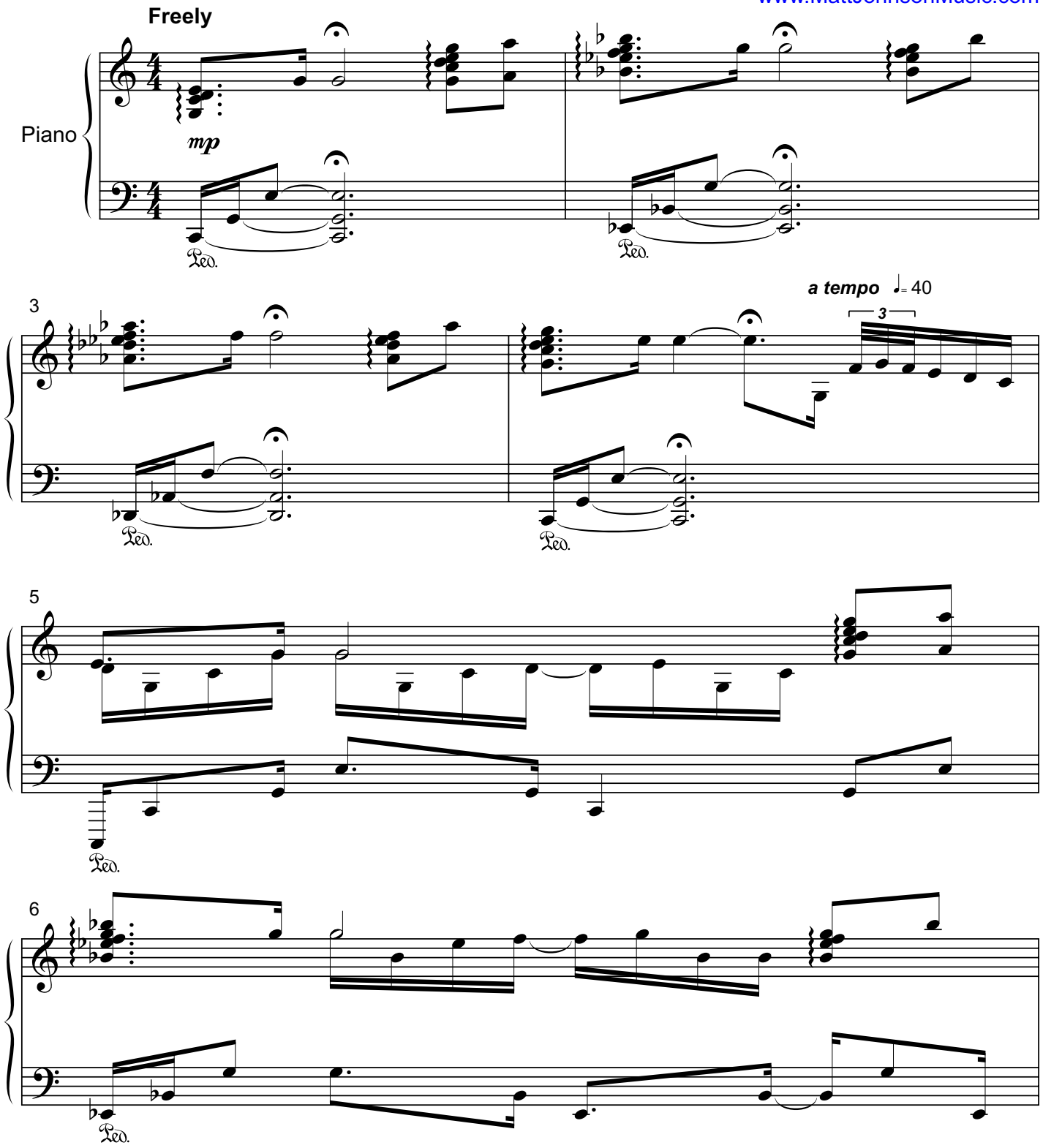

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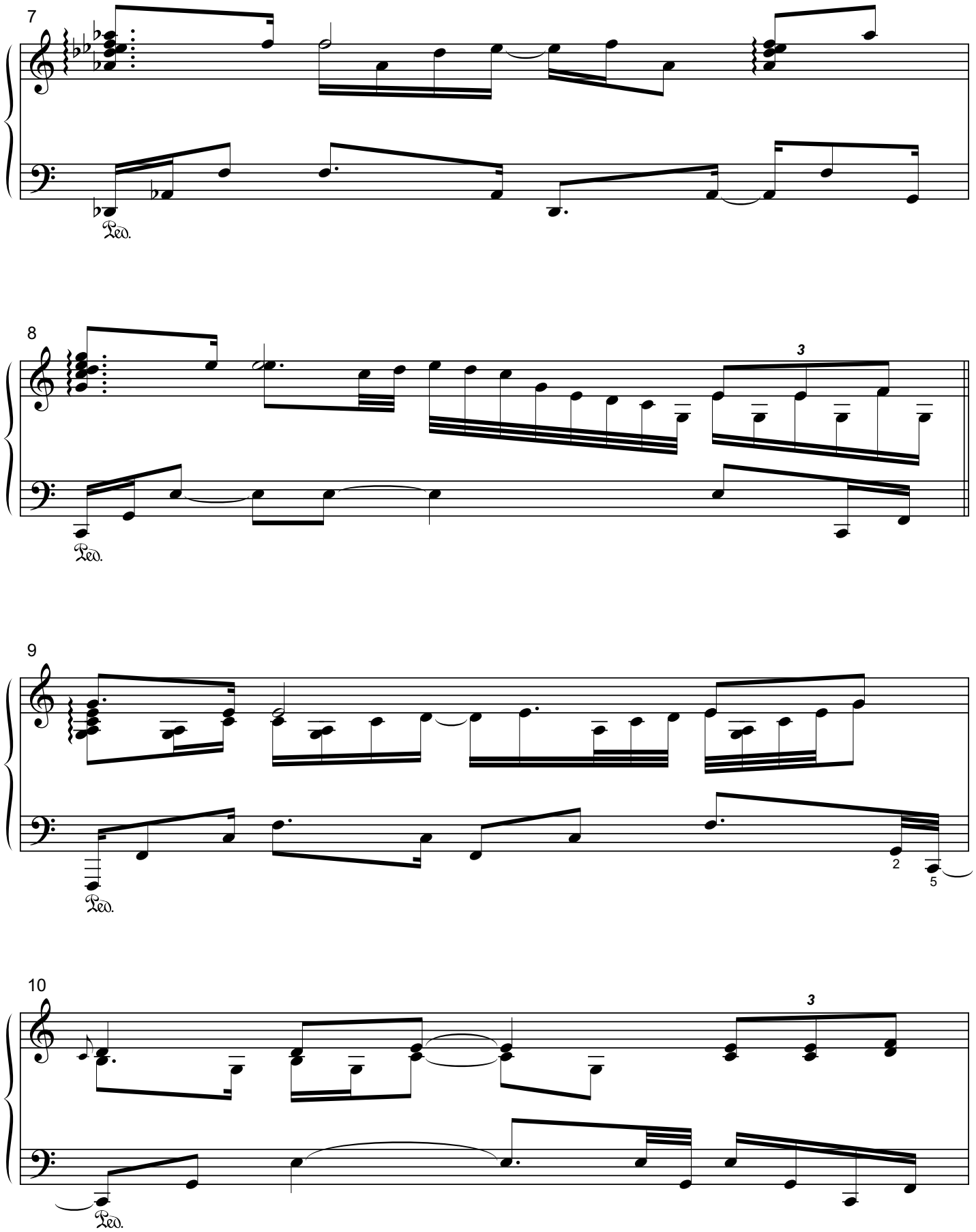
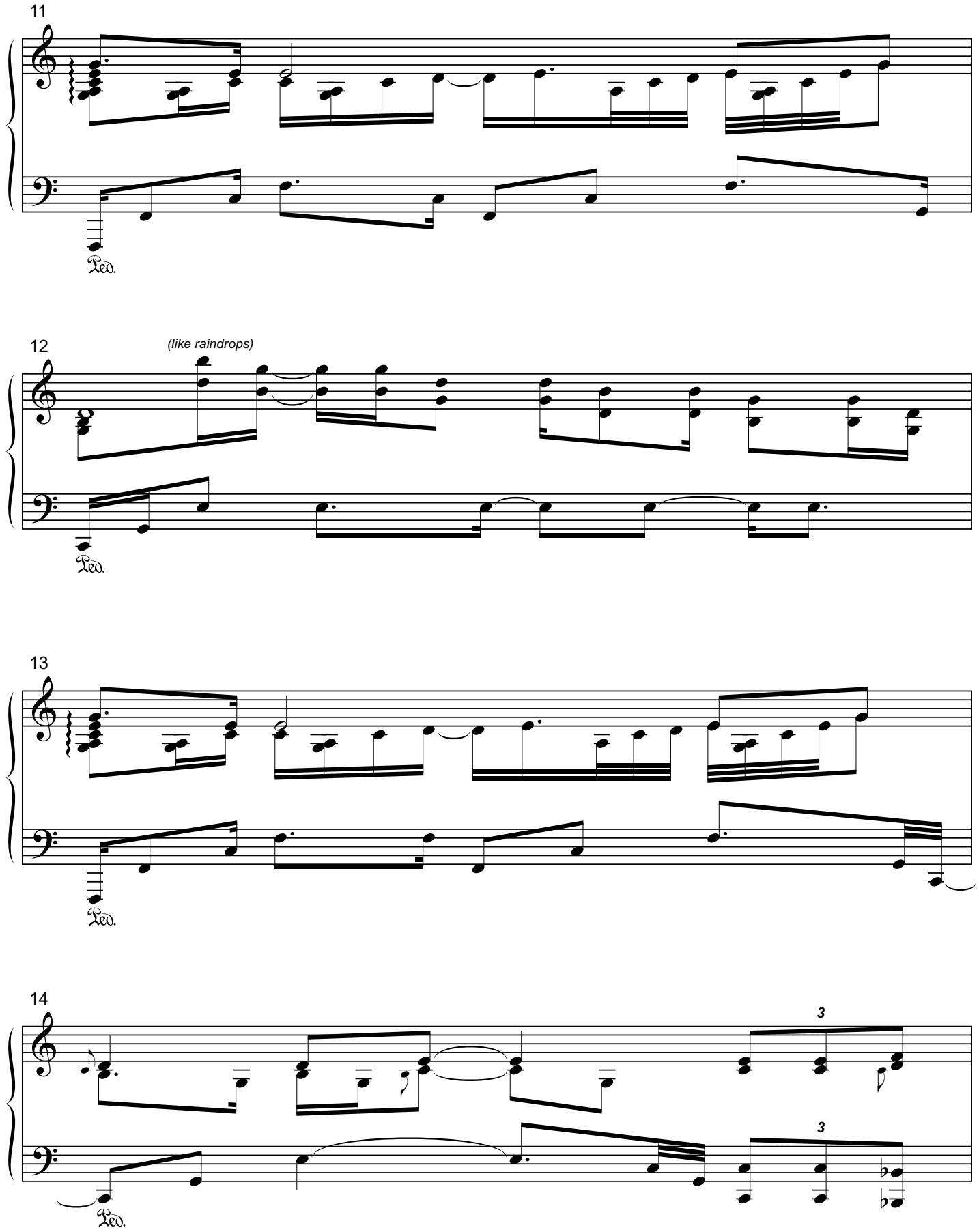
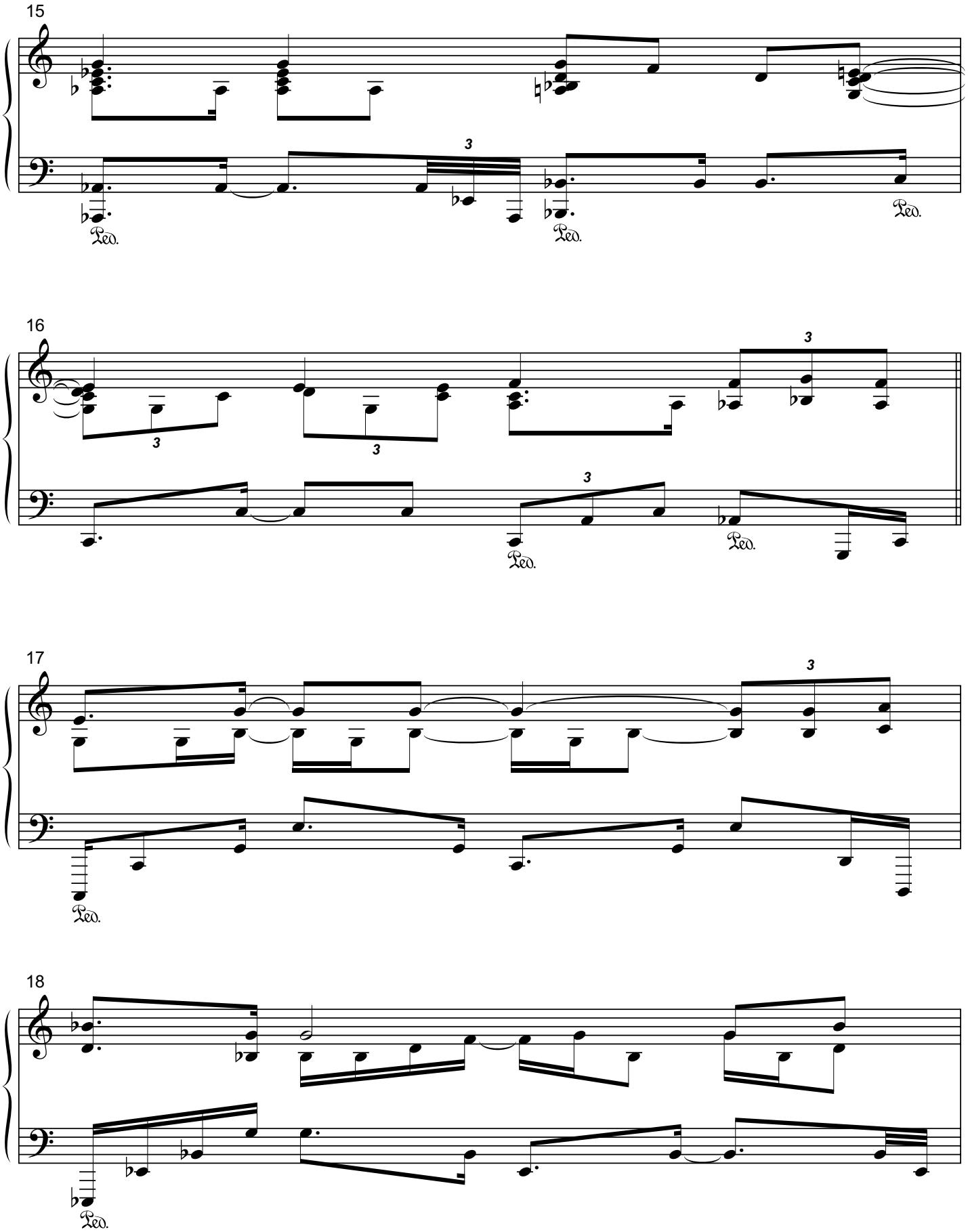
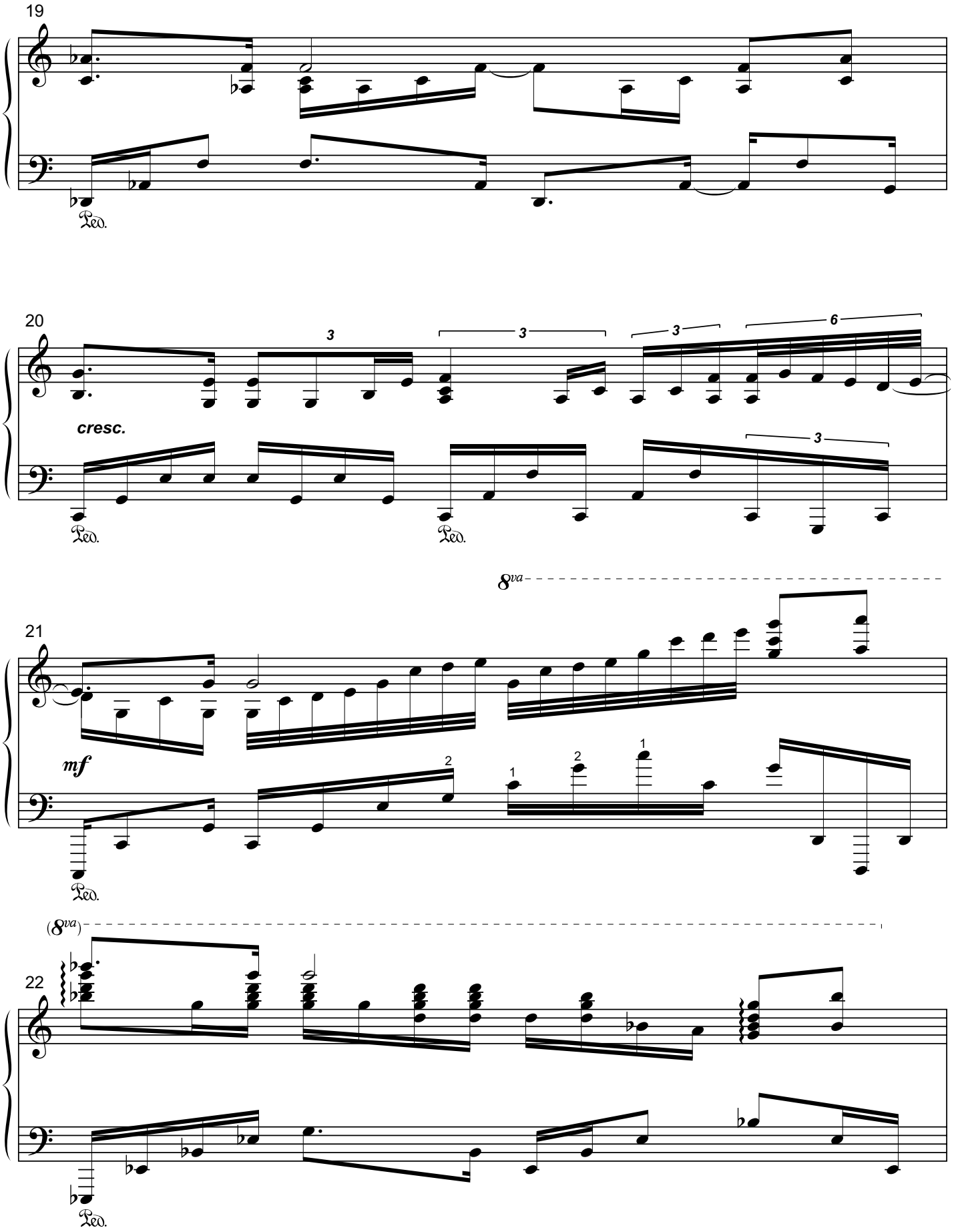
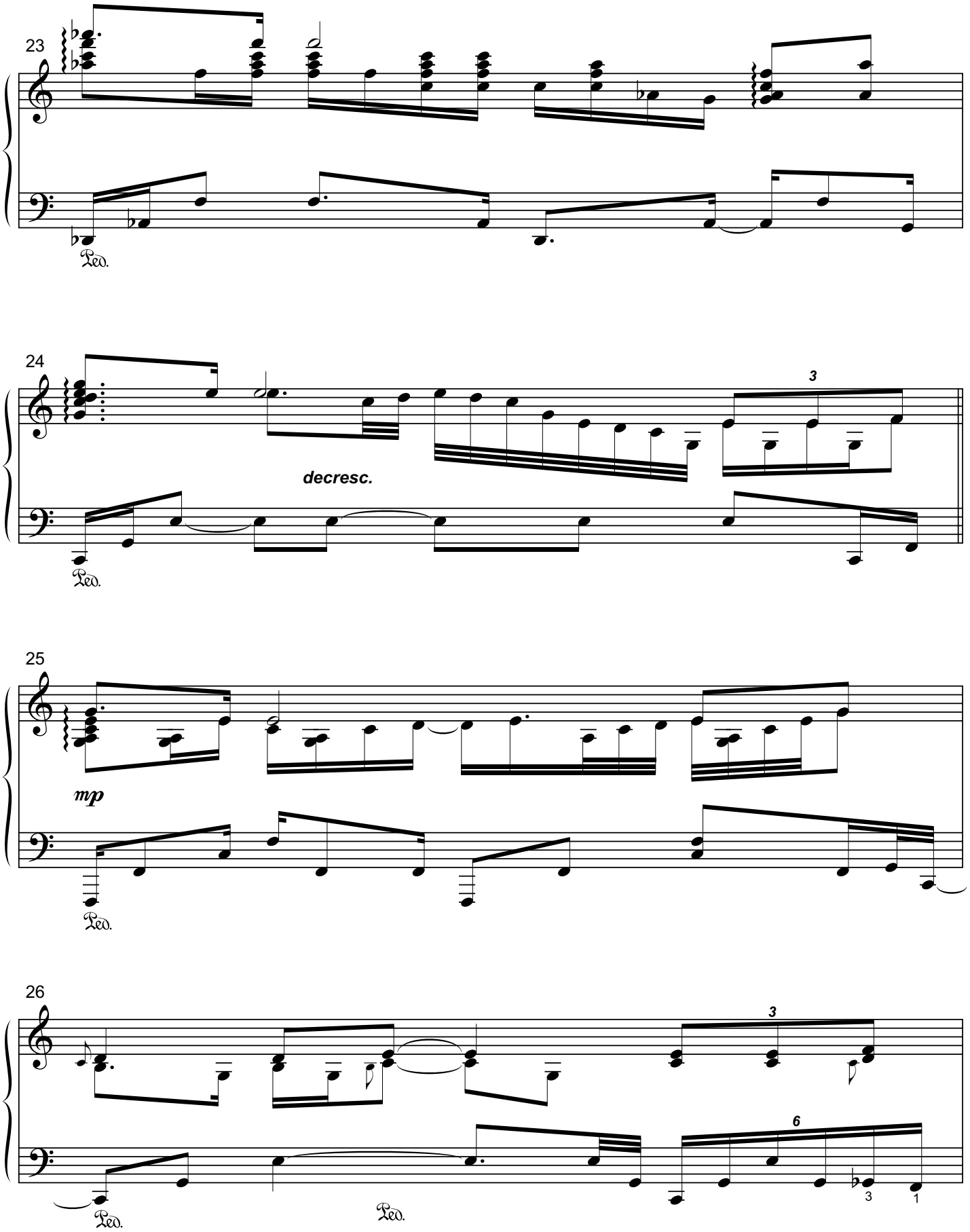

7
Ped.
8
3
Ped.
9
2
5
Ped.
10
3
Ped.


11
Ped.
12
(like raindrops)
Ped.
13
Ped.
14
3
3
Ped.


15
16
17
18


19
Ped.
20
3
3
3
6
cresc.
3
Ped.
Ped.
8va
21
mf
2
1
2
1
Ped.
(8va)
22
Ped.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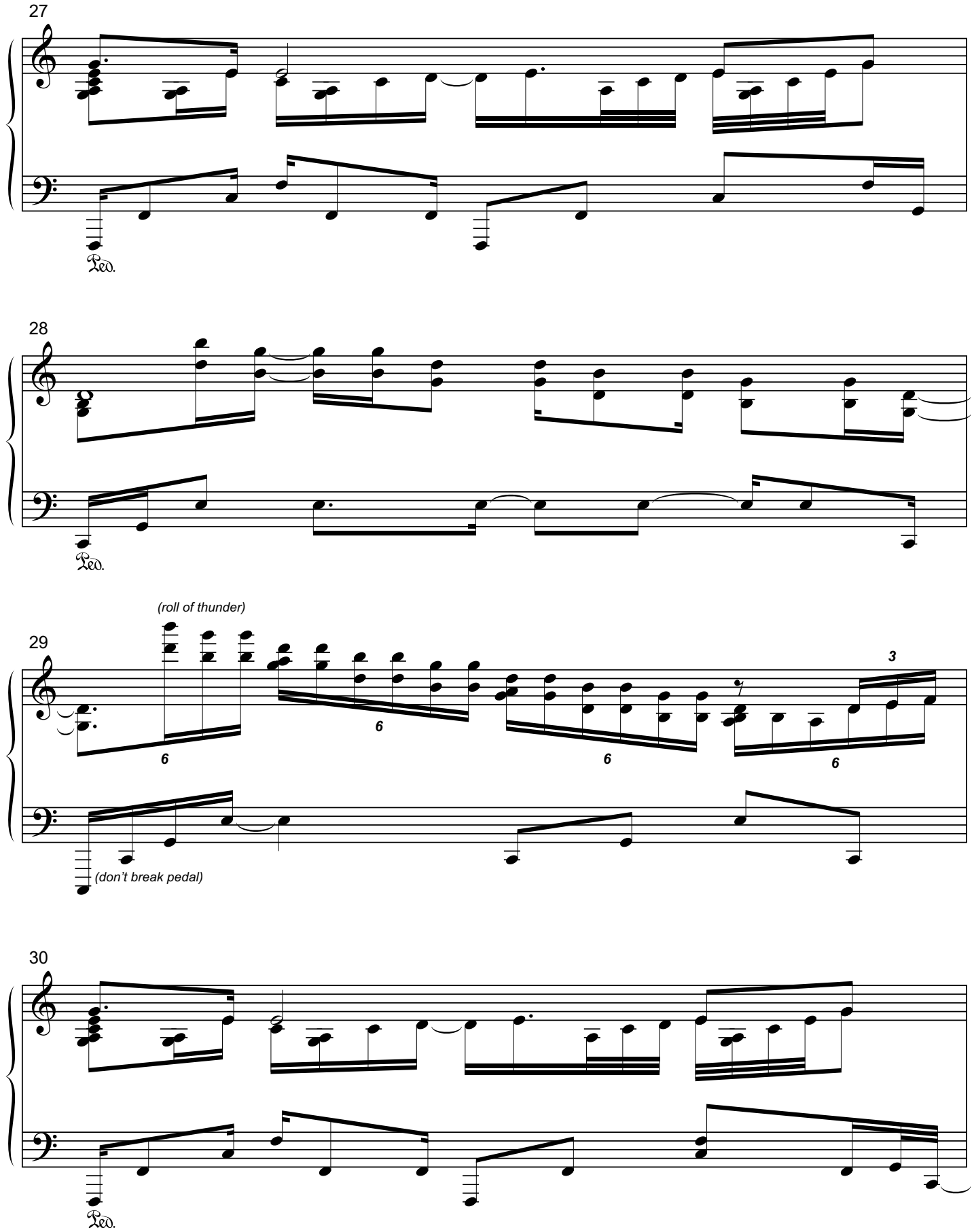
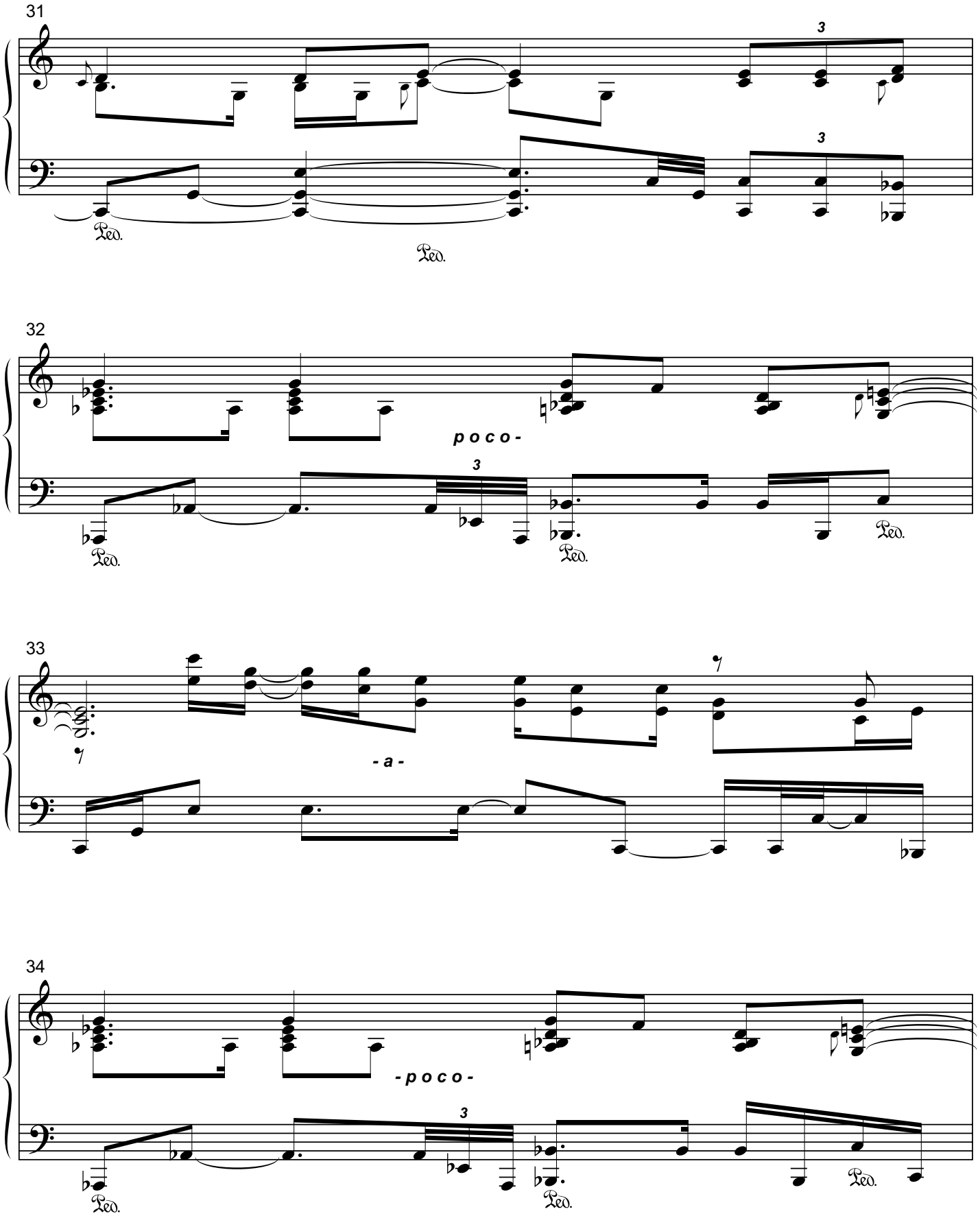
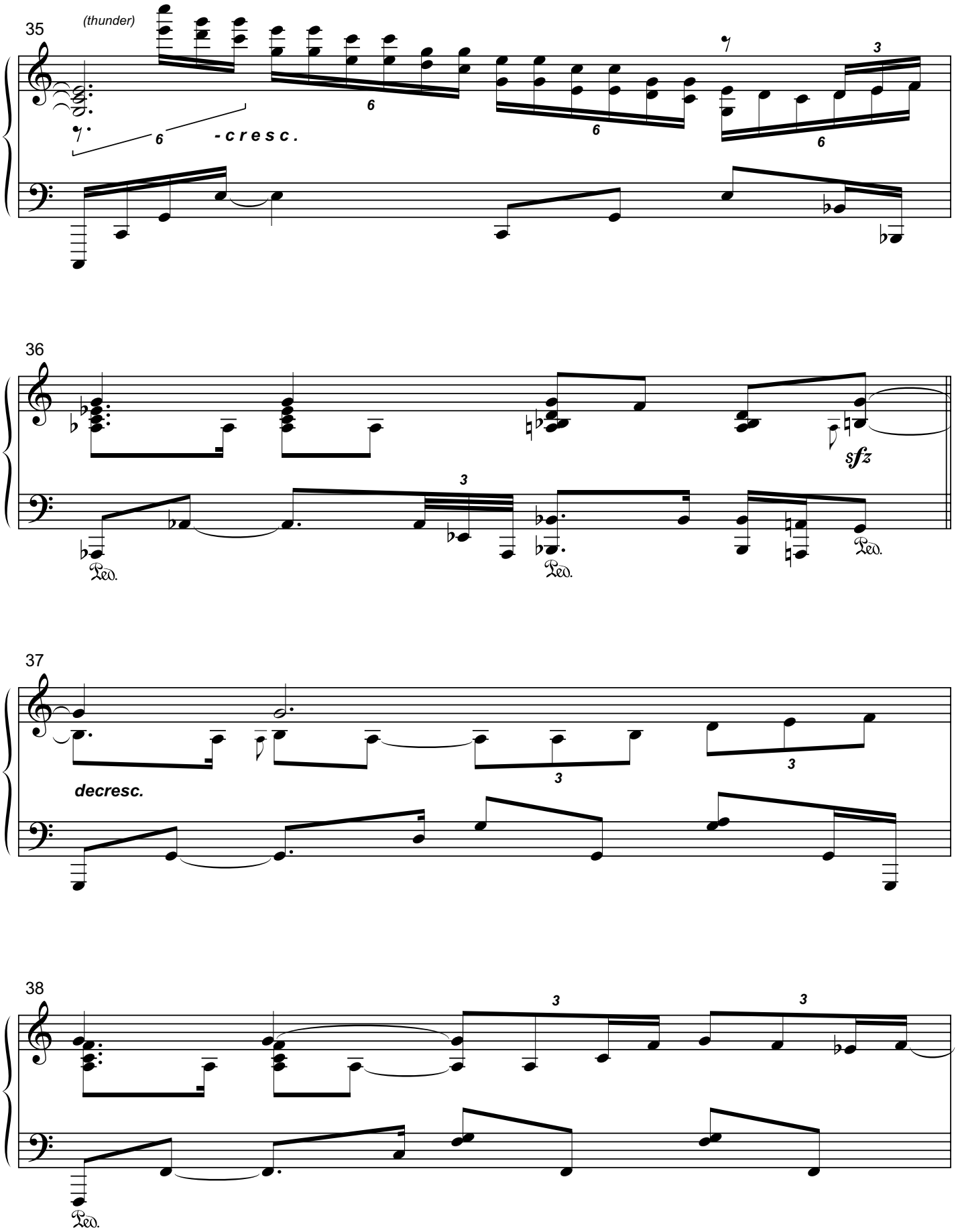
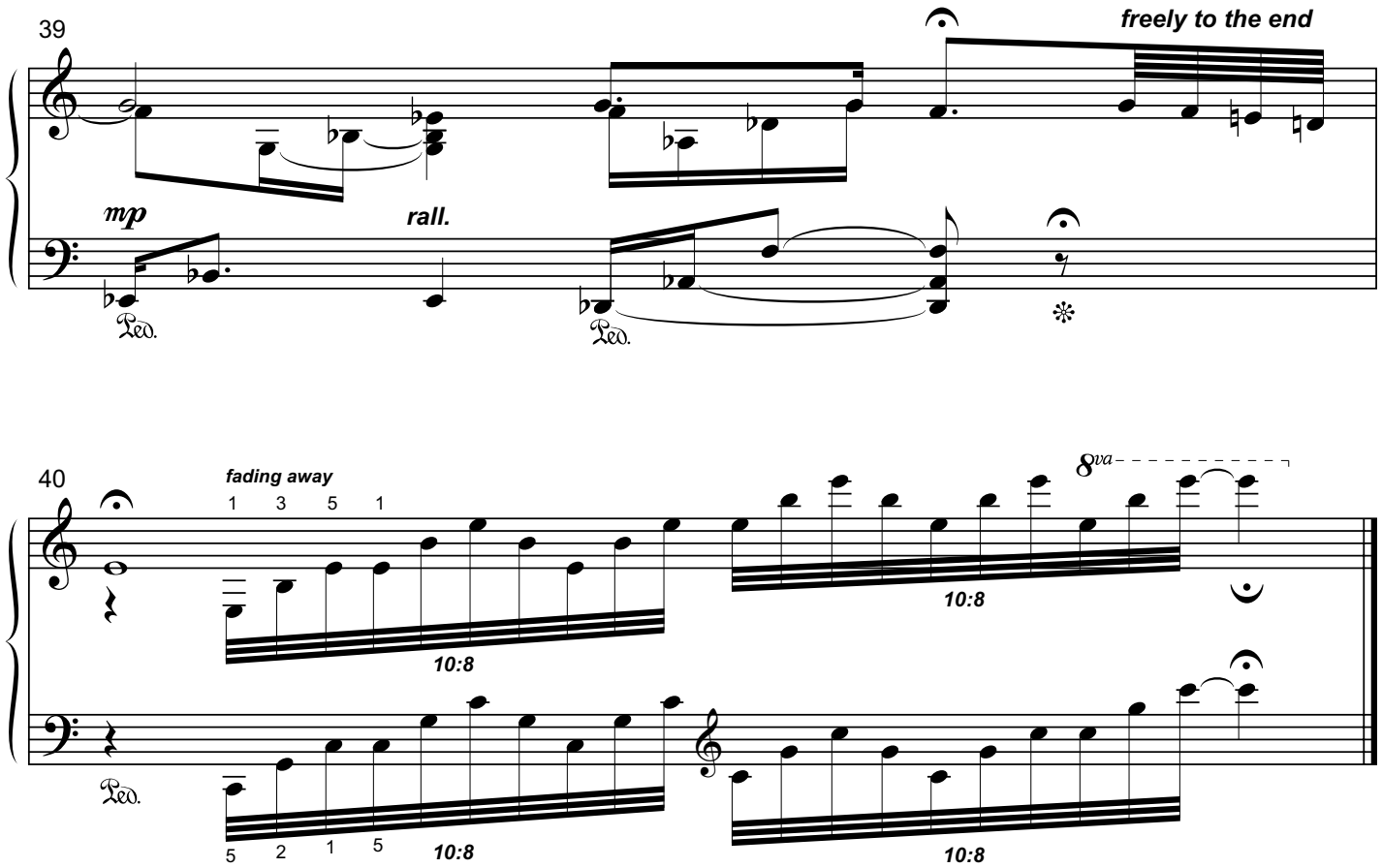
Ped.
24
3
decresc.
Ped.
25
mp
Ped.
26
3
6
3
1
Ped.
Ped.


27
Ped.
28
Ped.
(roll of thunder)
29
6
6
6
6
3
(don't break pedal)
30
Ped.


31
3
3
Ped.
Ped.
32
p o c o -
3
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
33
- a -
34
- p o c o -
3
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.


35
(thunder)
- c r e s c .
36
sfz
Ped.
37
decresc.
38
Ped.


39
freely to the end
mp
rall.
Ped.
Ped.
40
fading away
1 3 5 1
10:8
8va
10:8
Ped.
5 2 1 5
10:8
10:8

SERENADE

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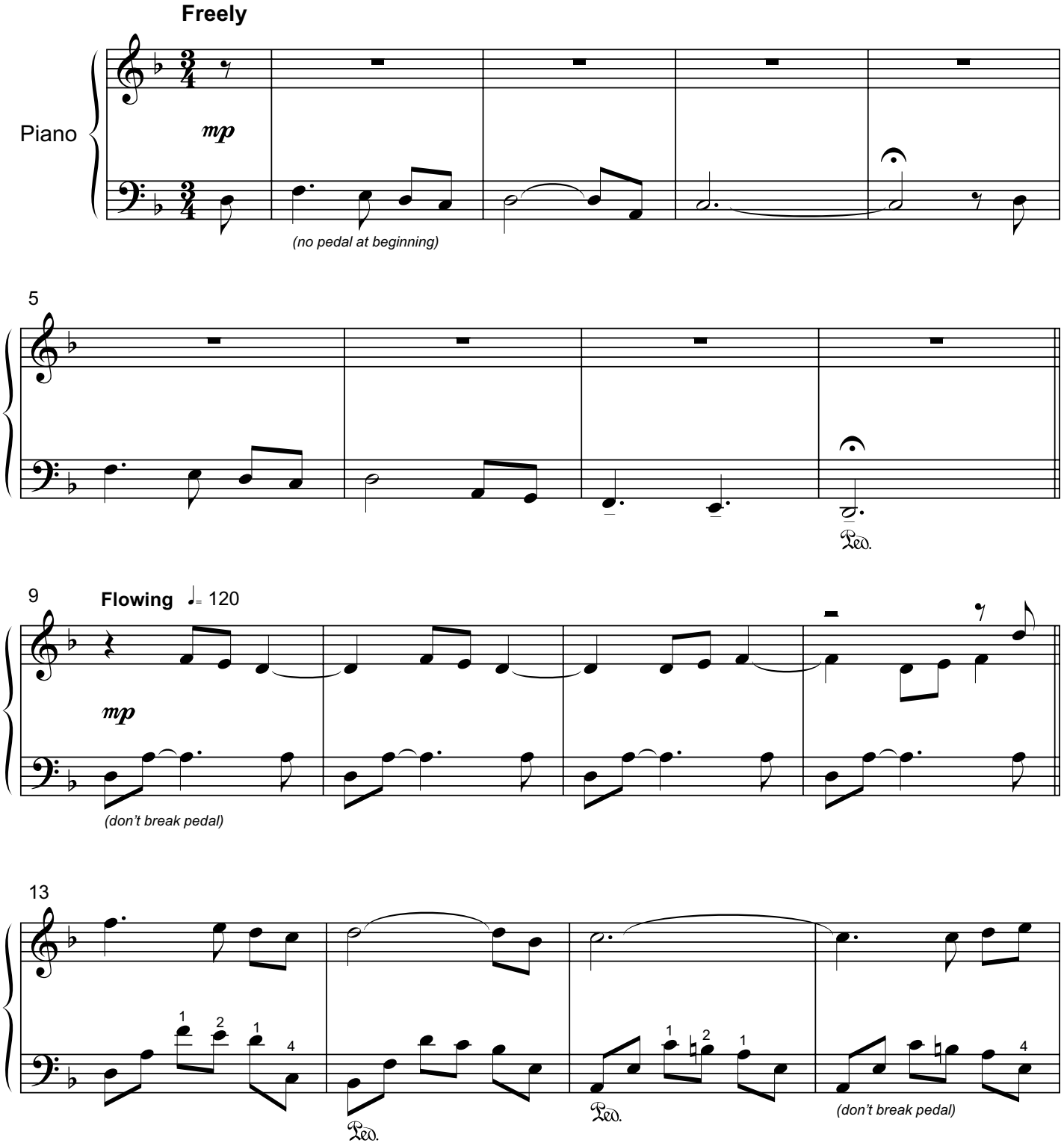

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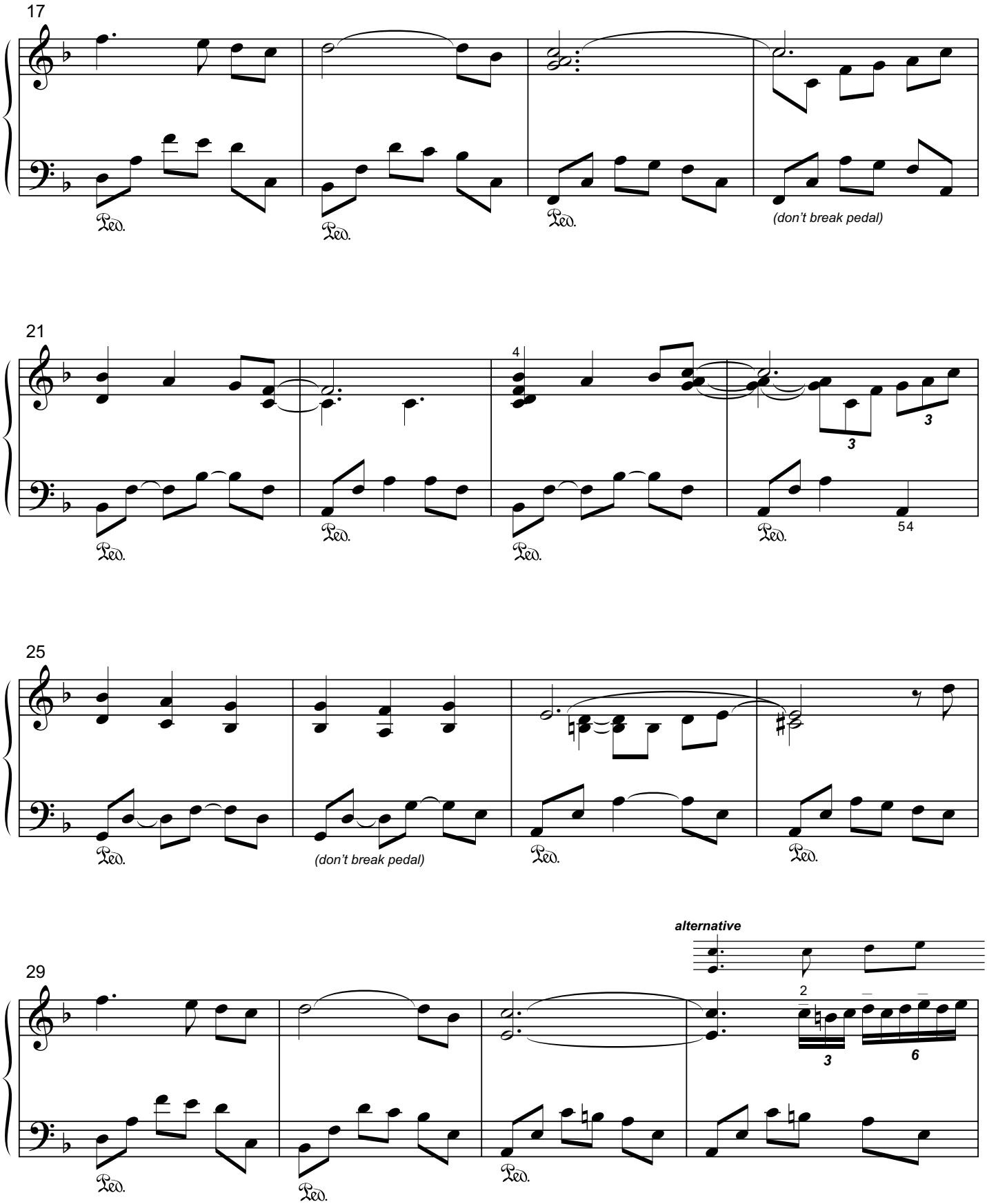
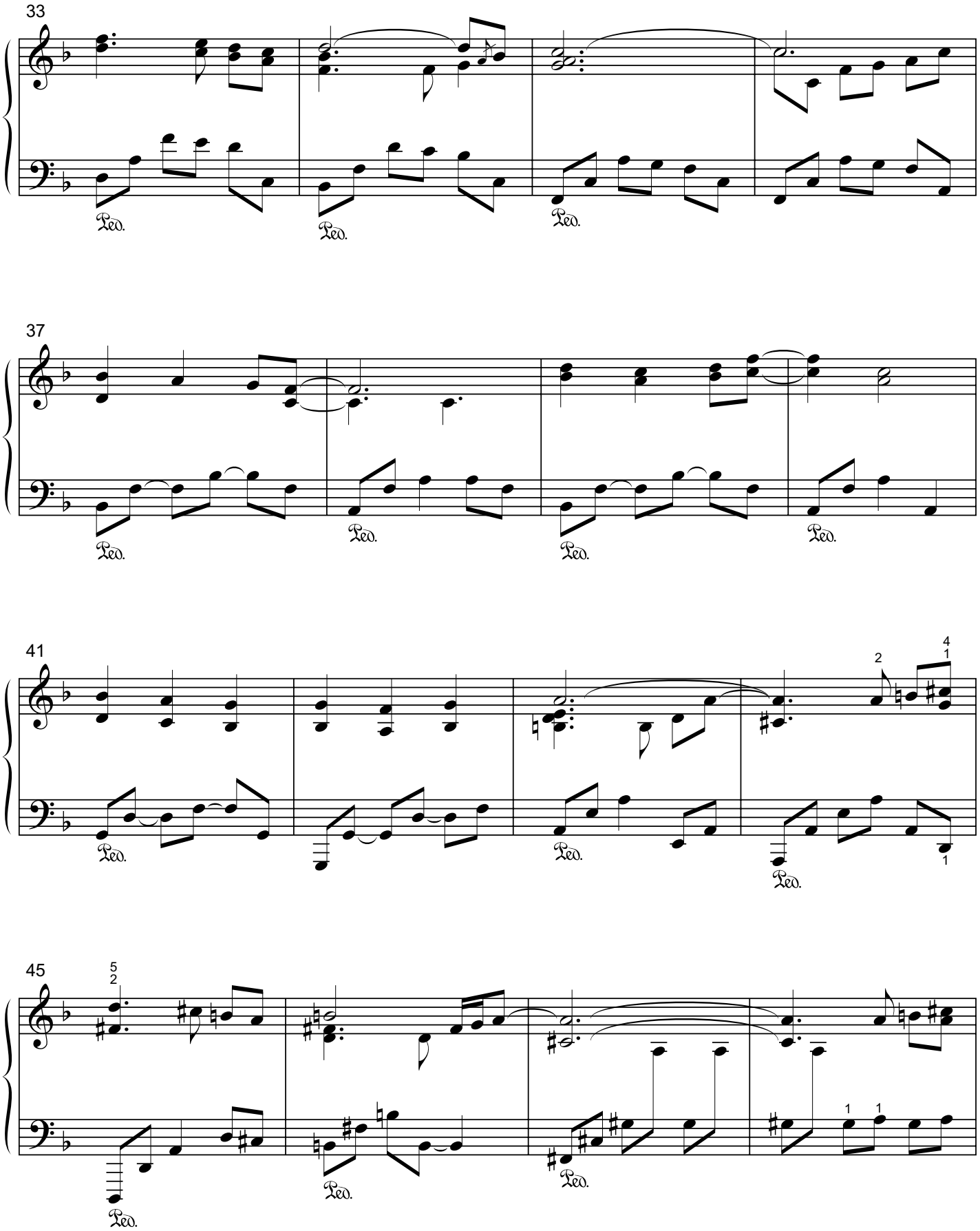

17
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
(don't break pedal)
21
4
3
3
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
54
25
Ped.
(don't break pedal)
Ped.
Ped.
29
alternative
2
3
6
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.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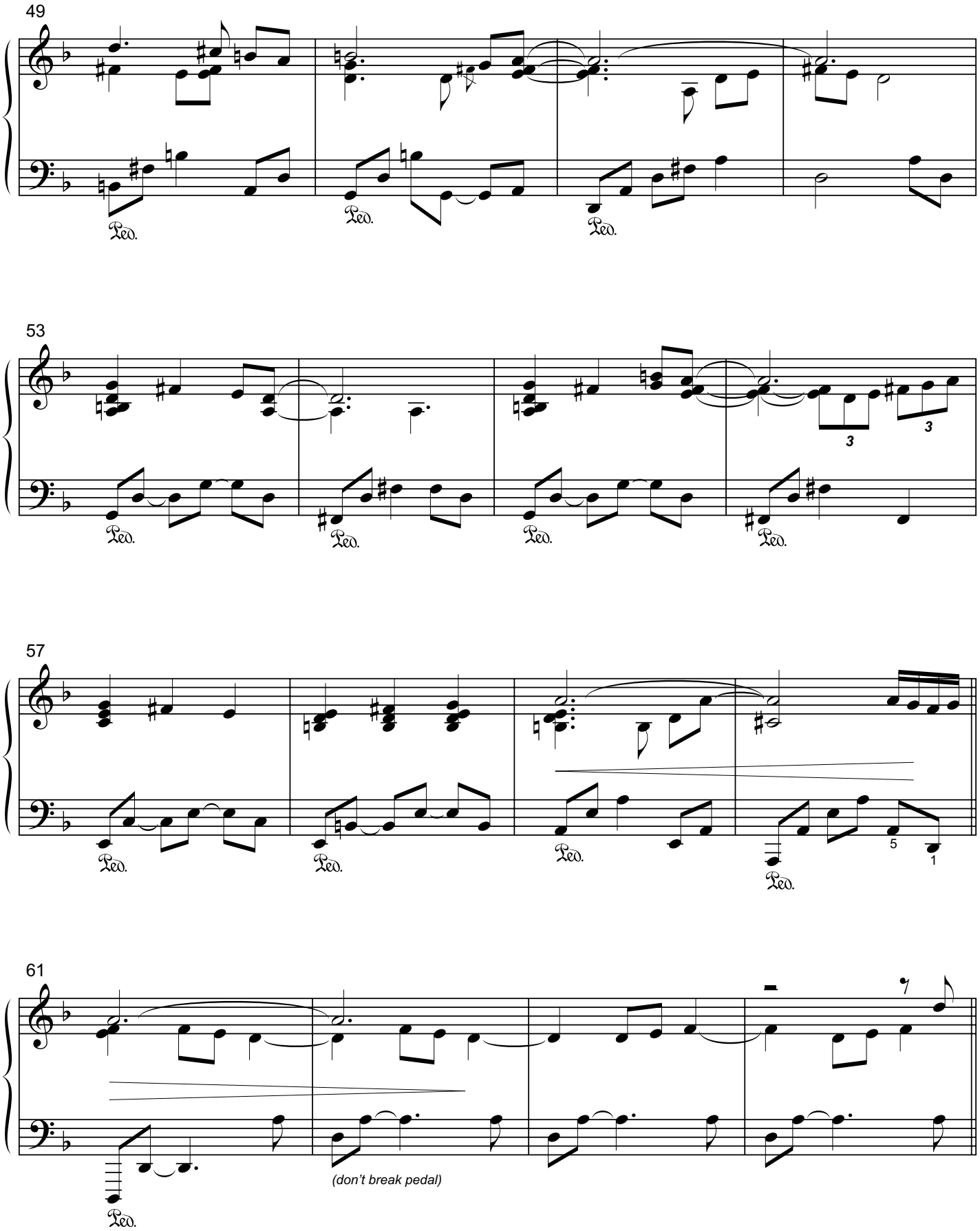
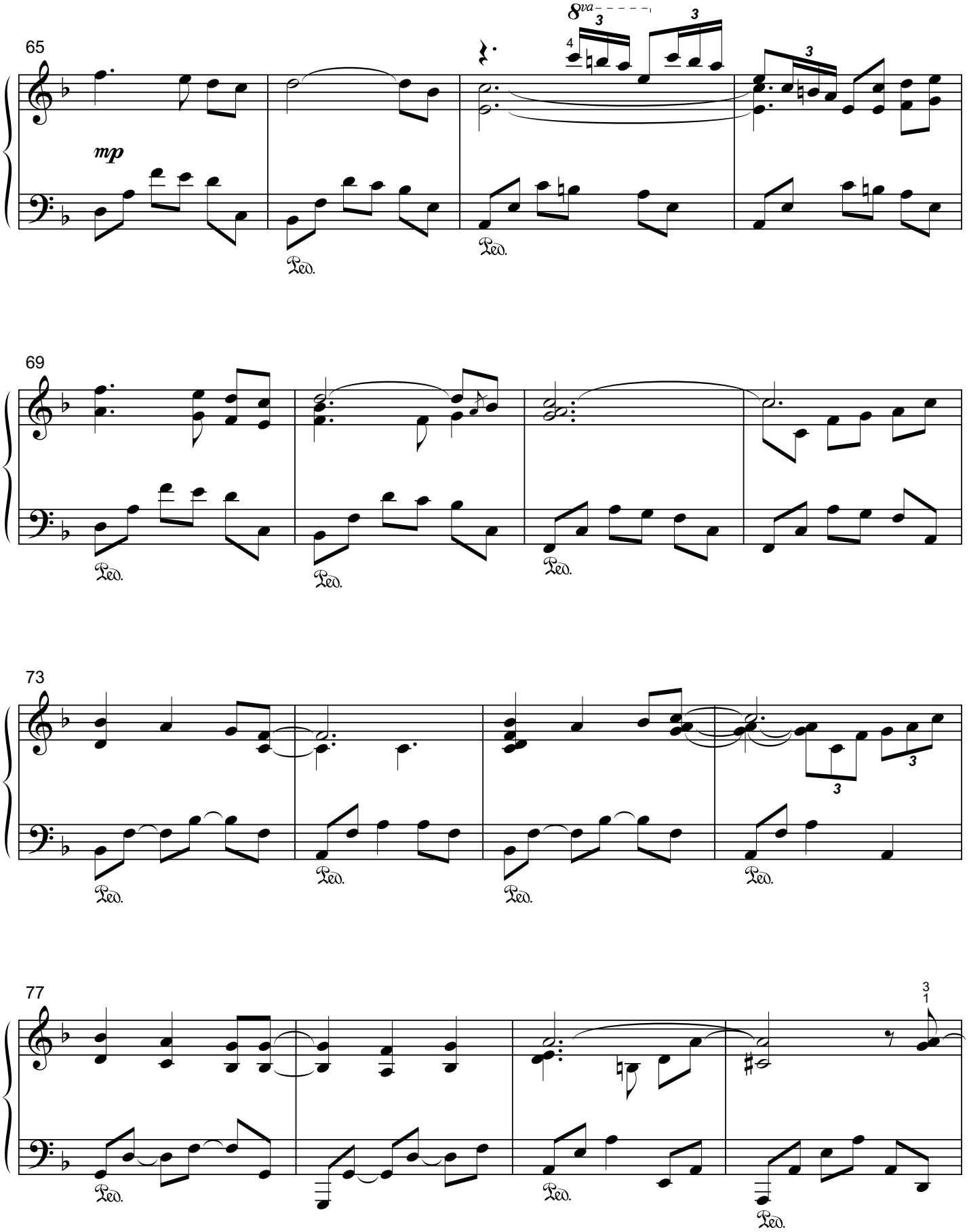
37
41
45


49
53
57
61
(don't break pedal)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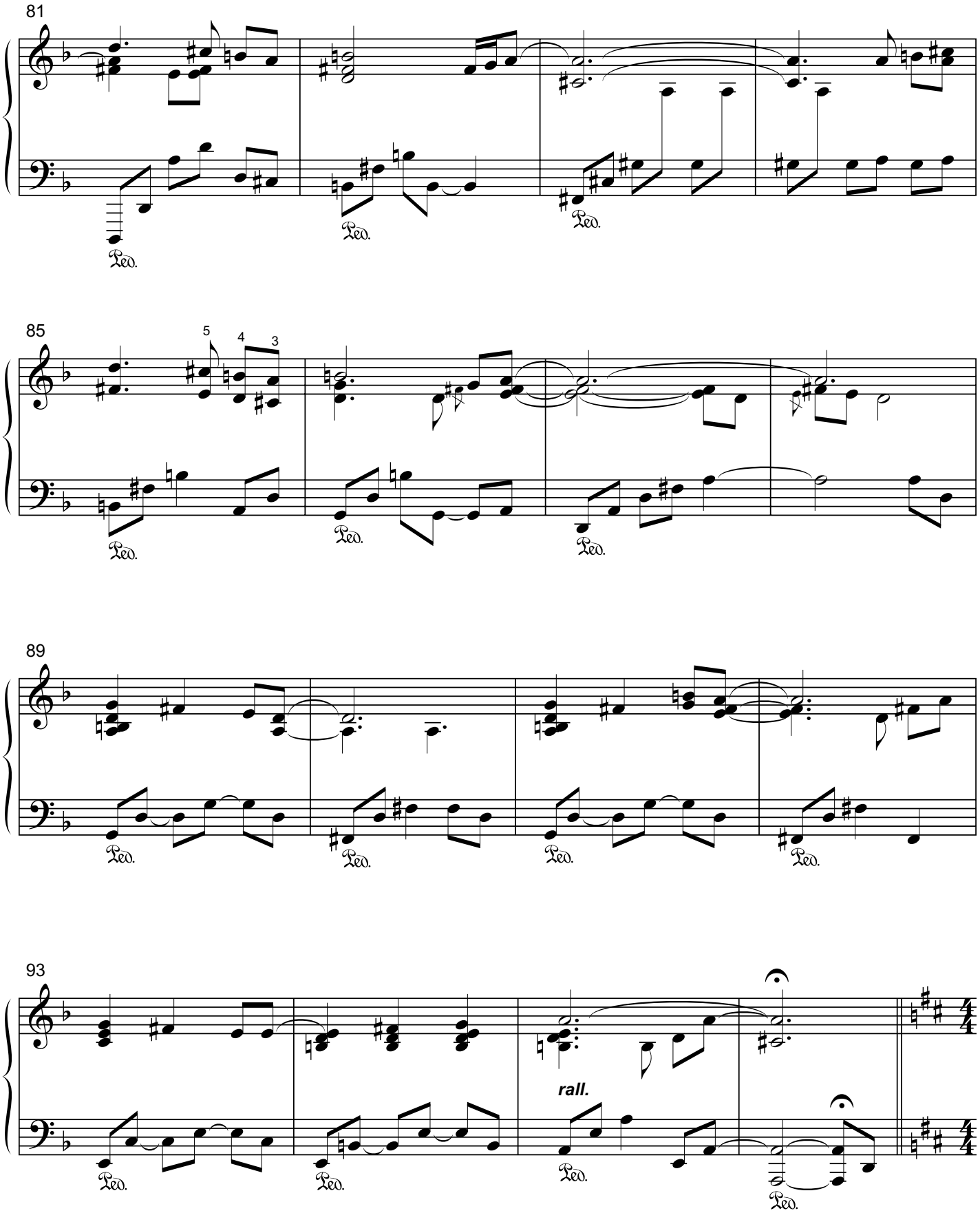
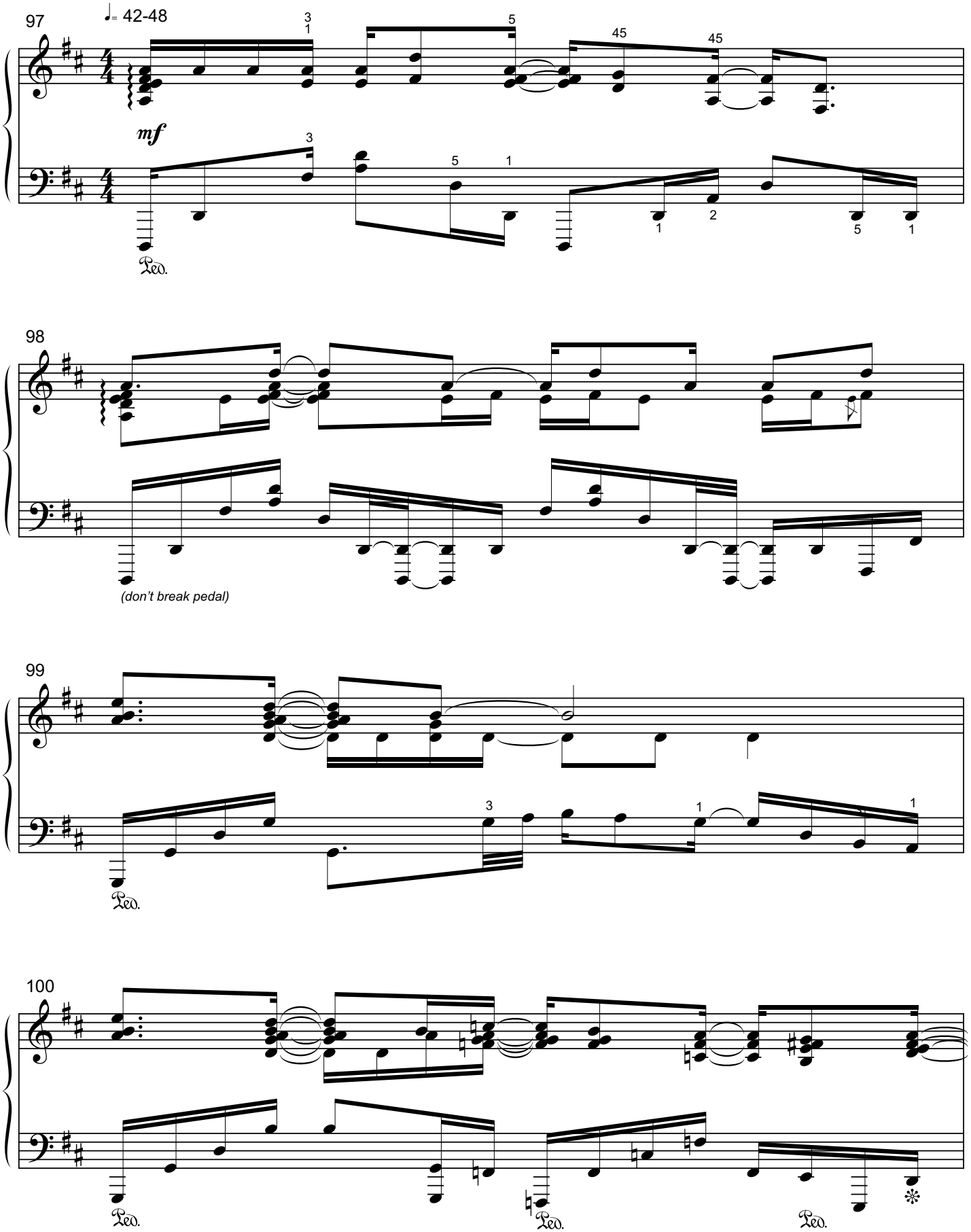
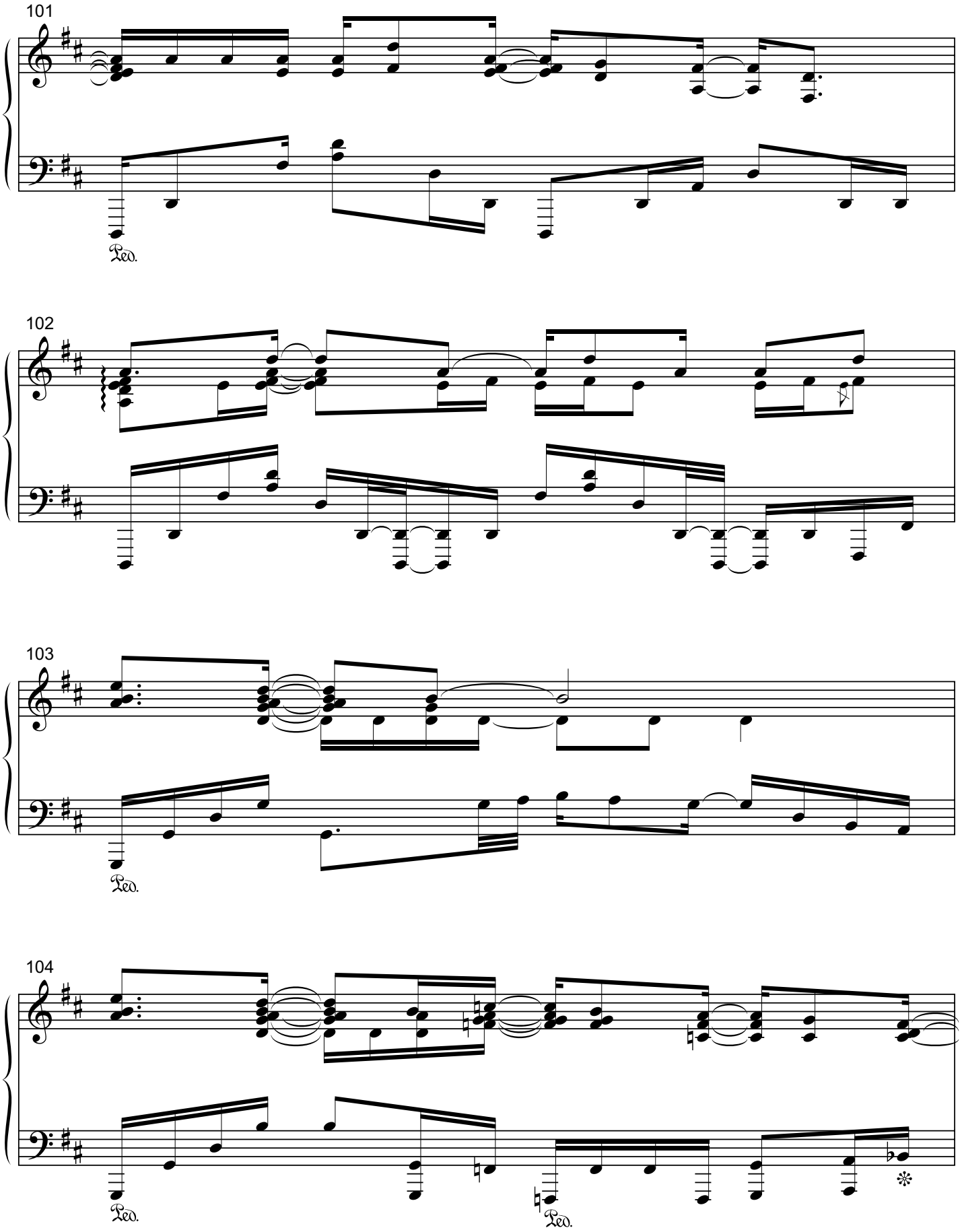
mp
8va
69
73
77


81
85
5
4
3
89
93
rall.


97
♩= 42-48
mf
Ped.
98
(don't break pedal)
99
Ped.
100
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.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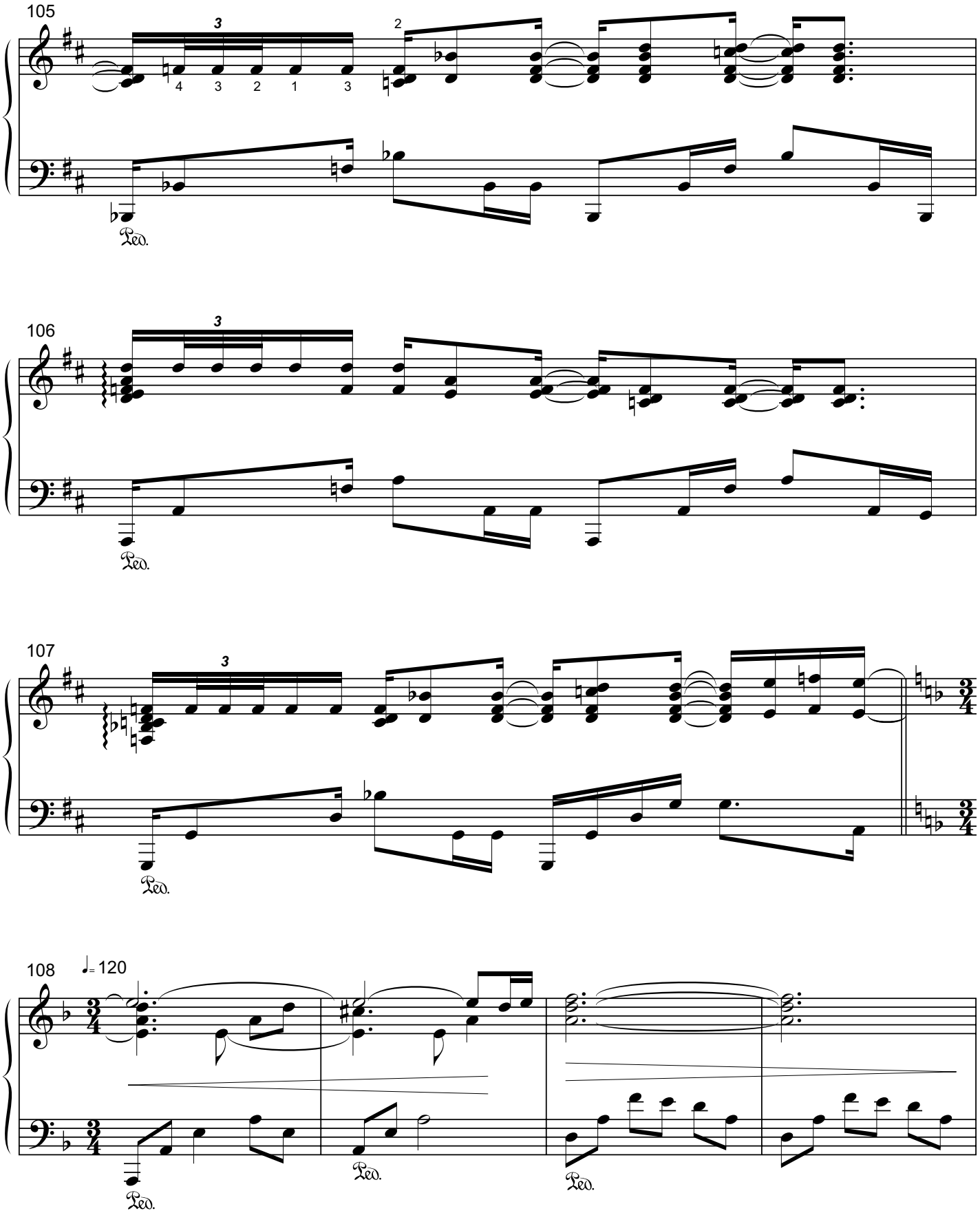
Ped.
102
103
Ped.
104
Ped.
Ped.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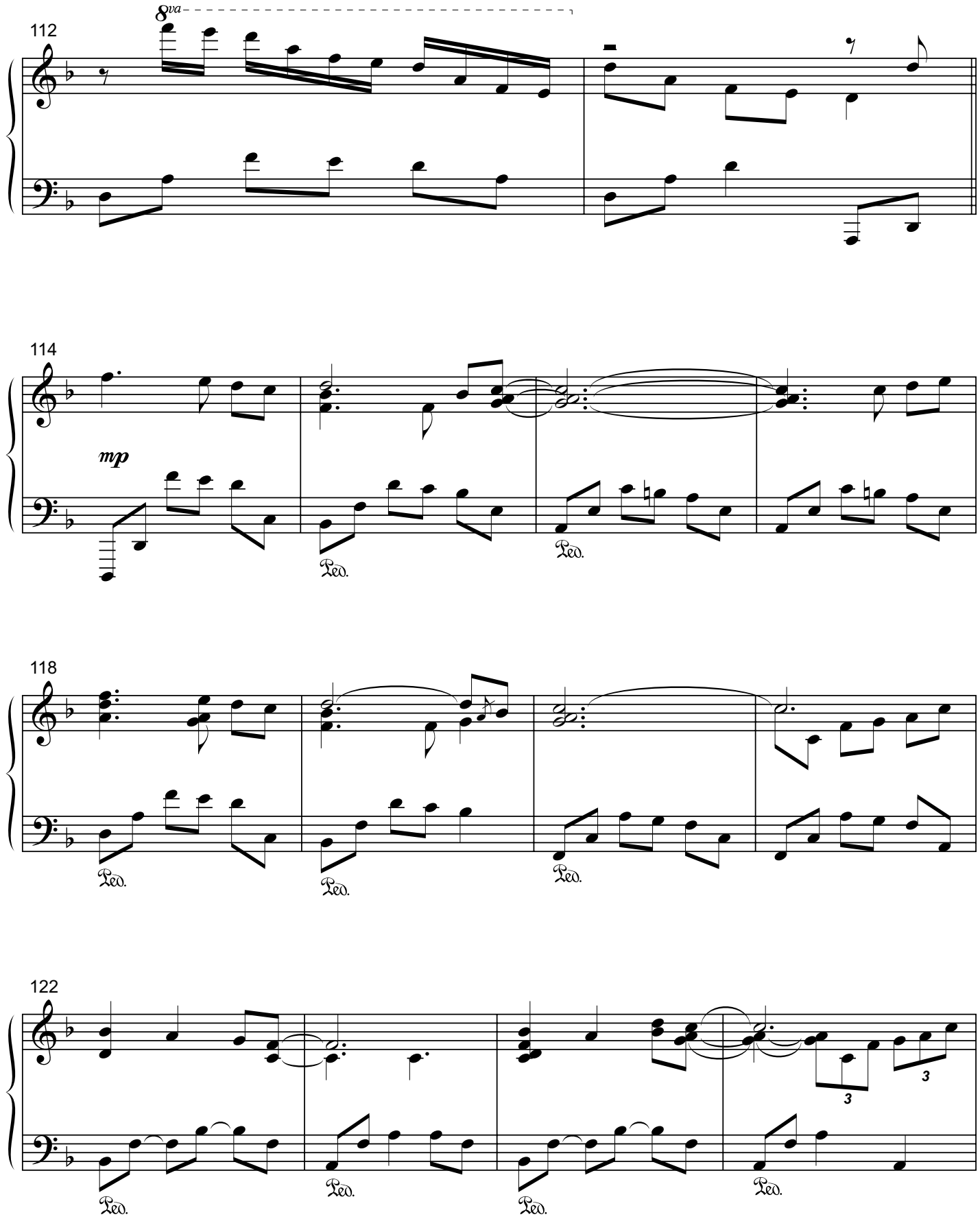
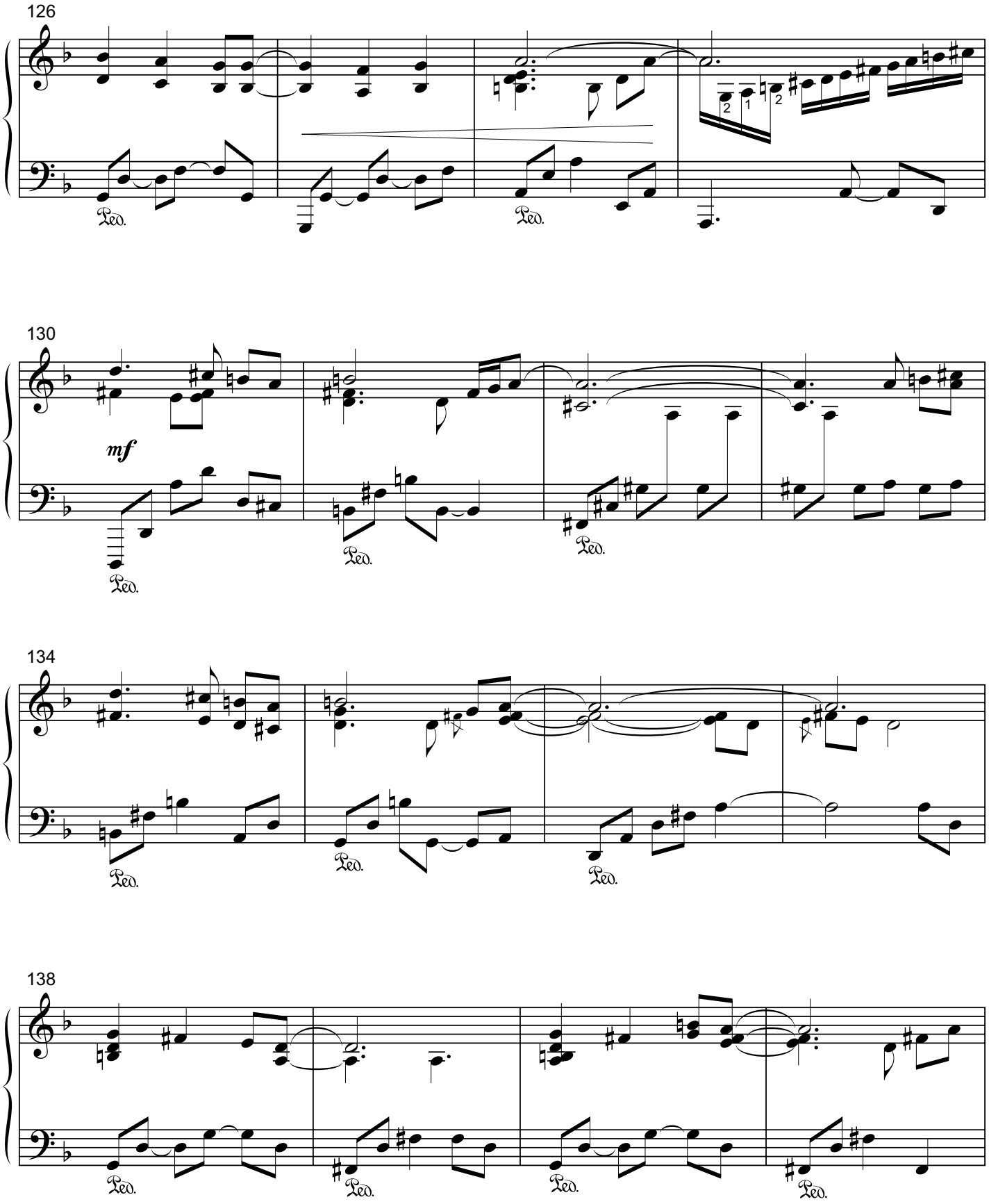
106
107
108
♩= 120
Ped.


112
8va
114
mp
Ped.
118
Ped.
122
3
Ped.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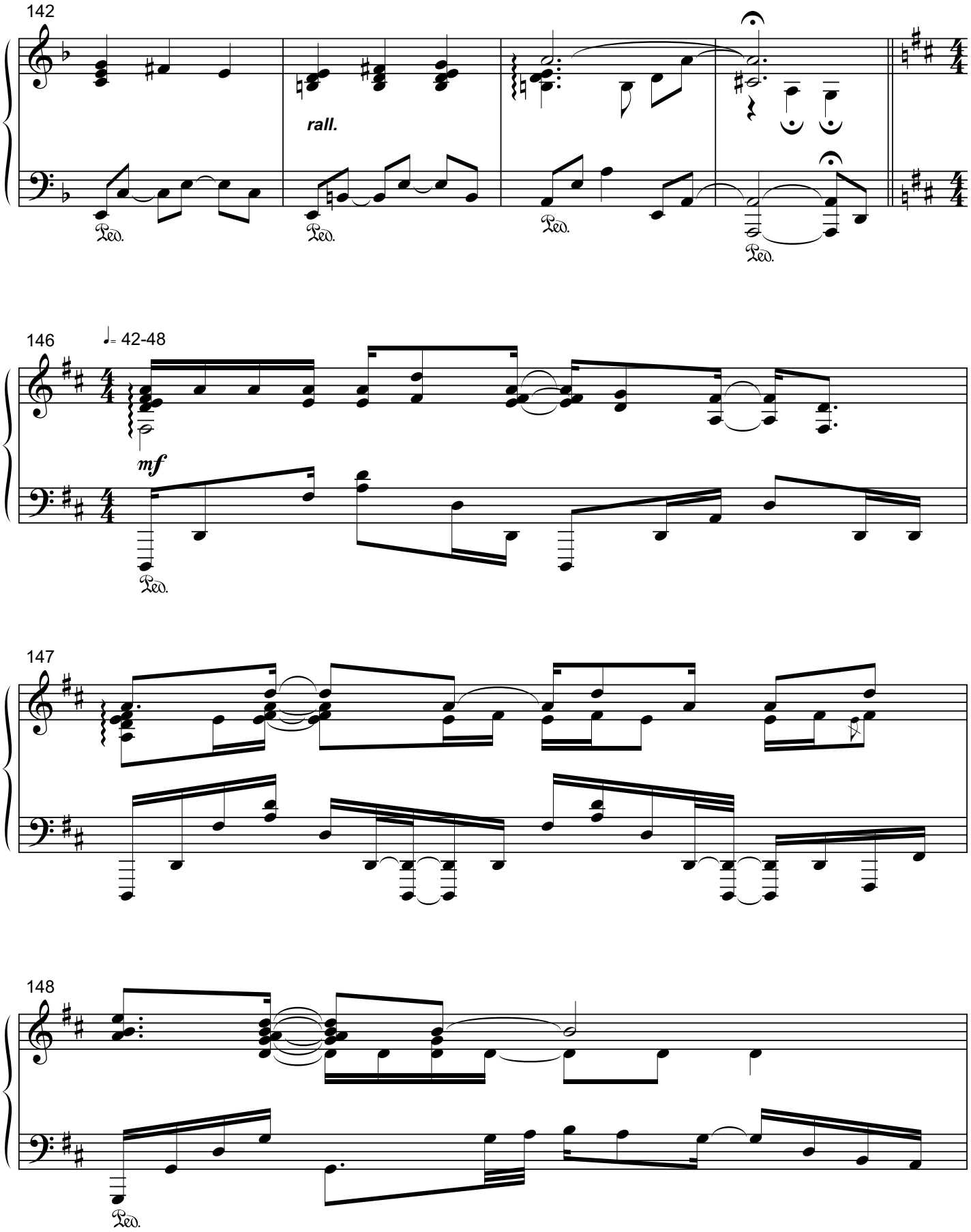
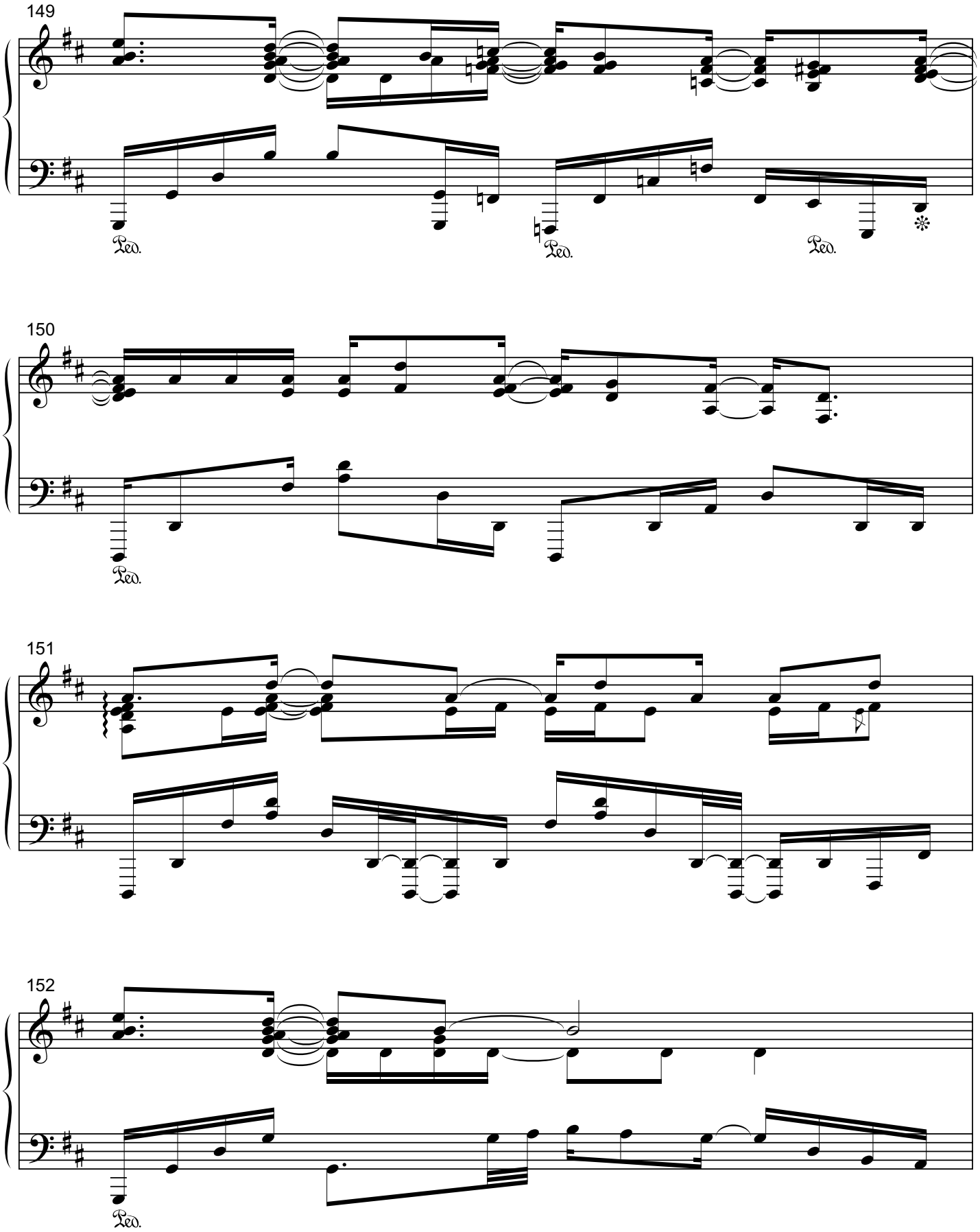
130
mf
134
138


142
rall.
Ped.
146
♩= 42-48
mf
147
148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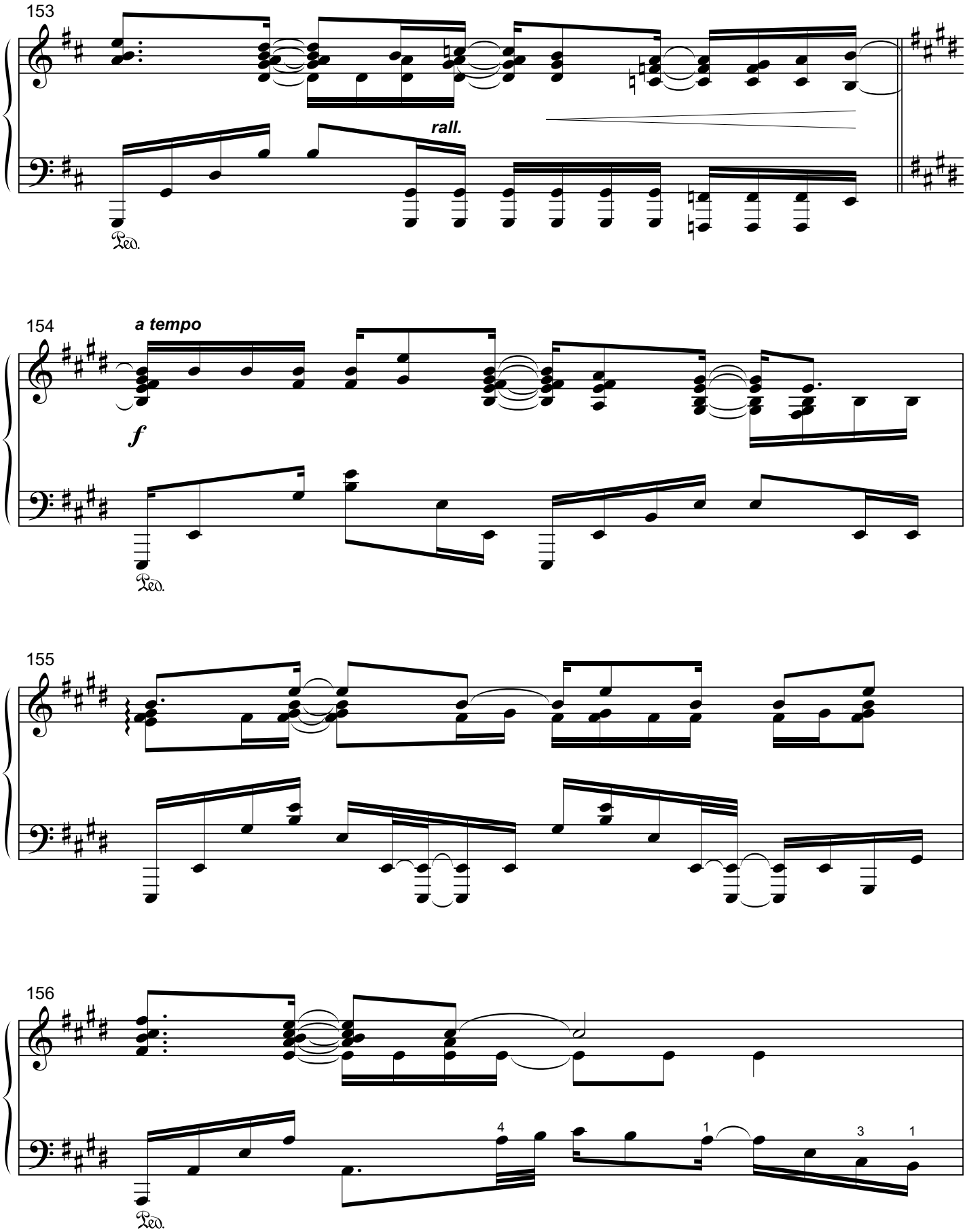
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
150
Ped.
151
152
Ped.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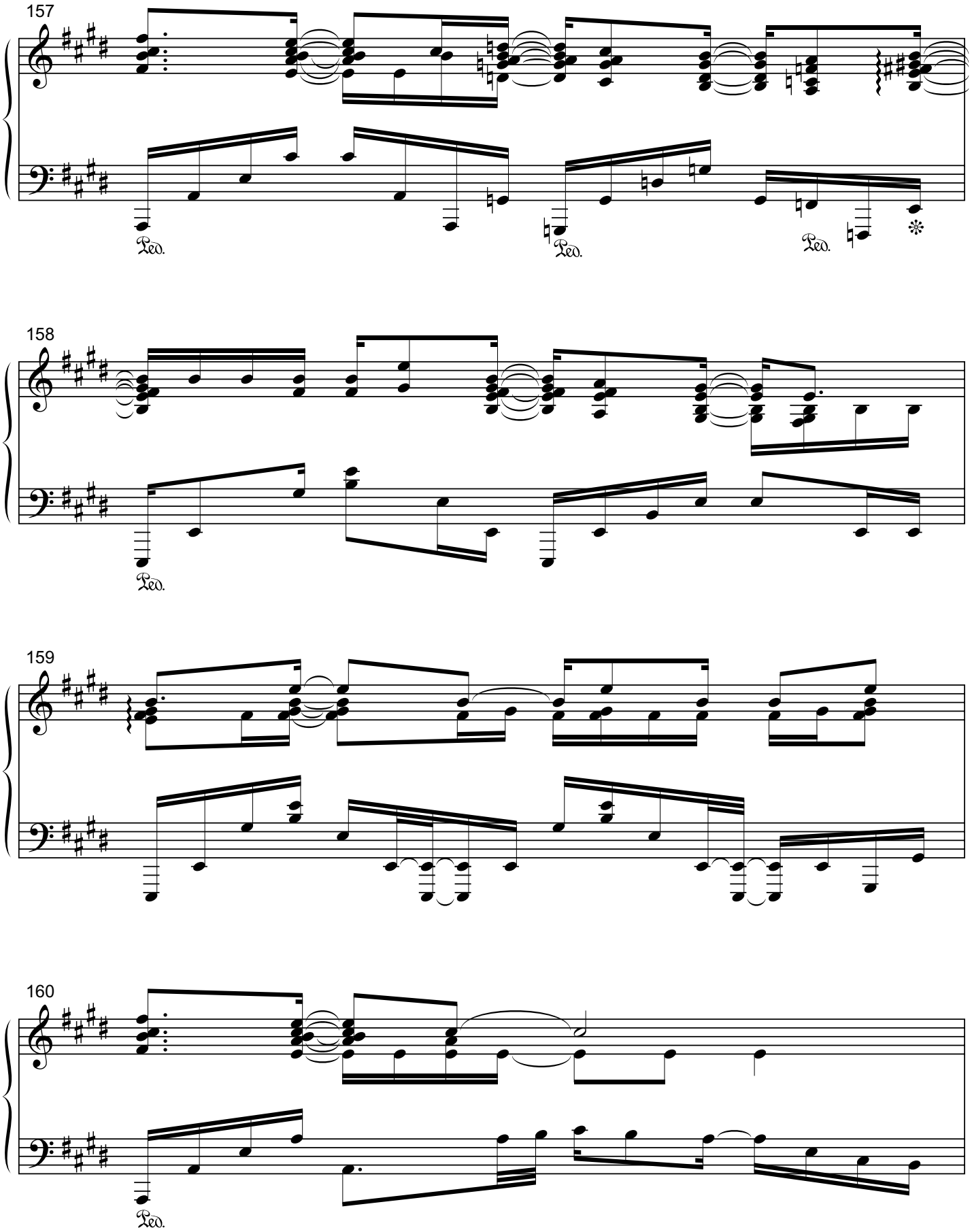
rall.
Ped.
154
a tempo
f
Ped.
155
156
4
1
3
1
Ped.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Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
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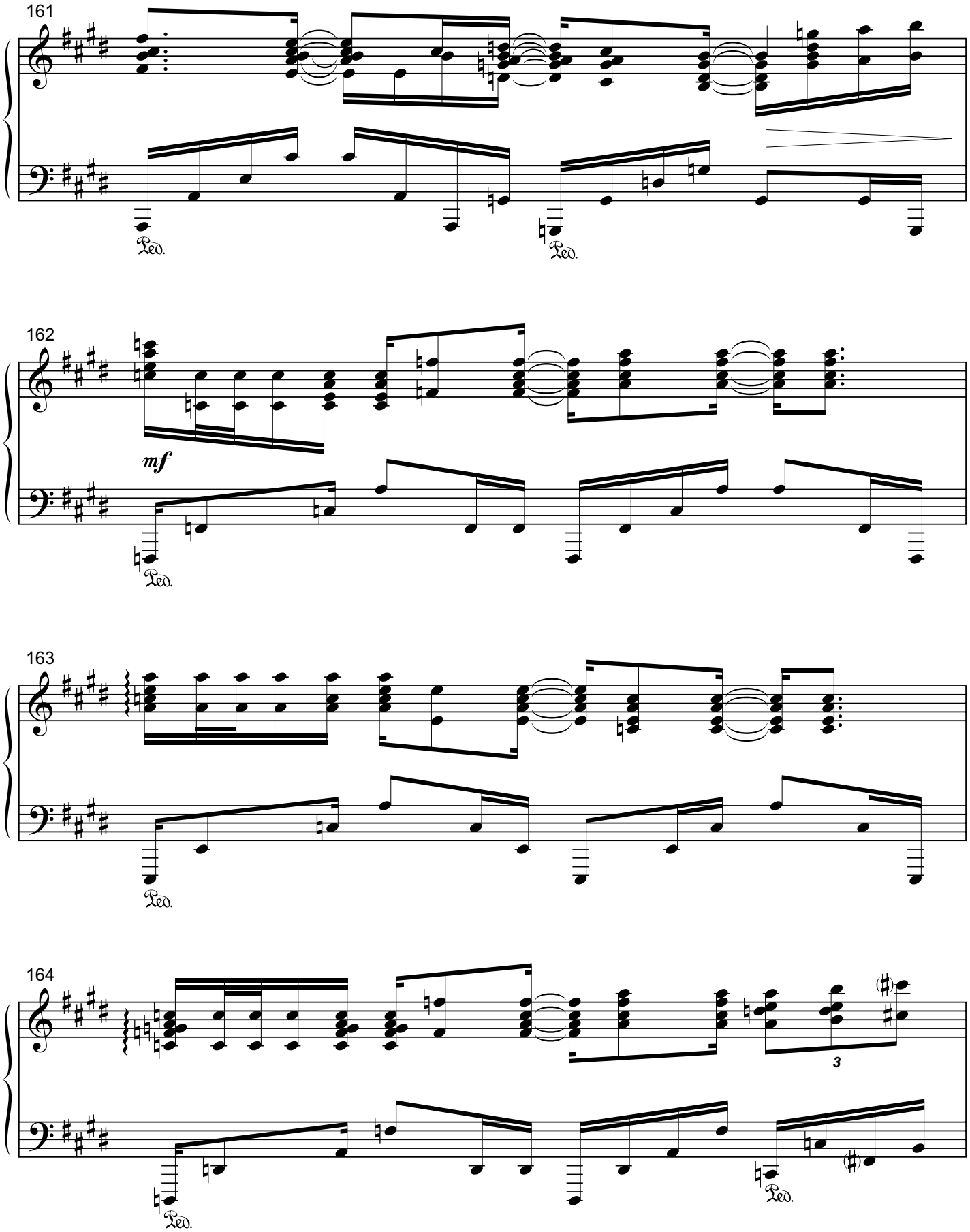
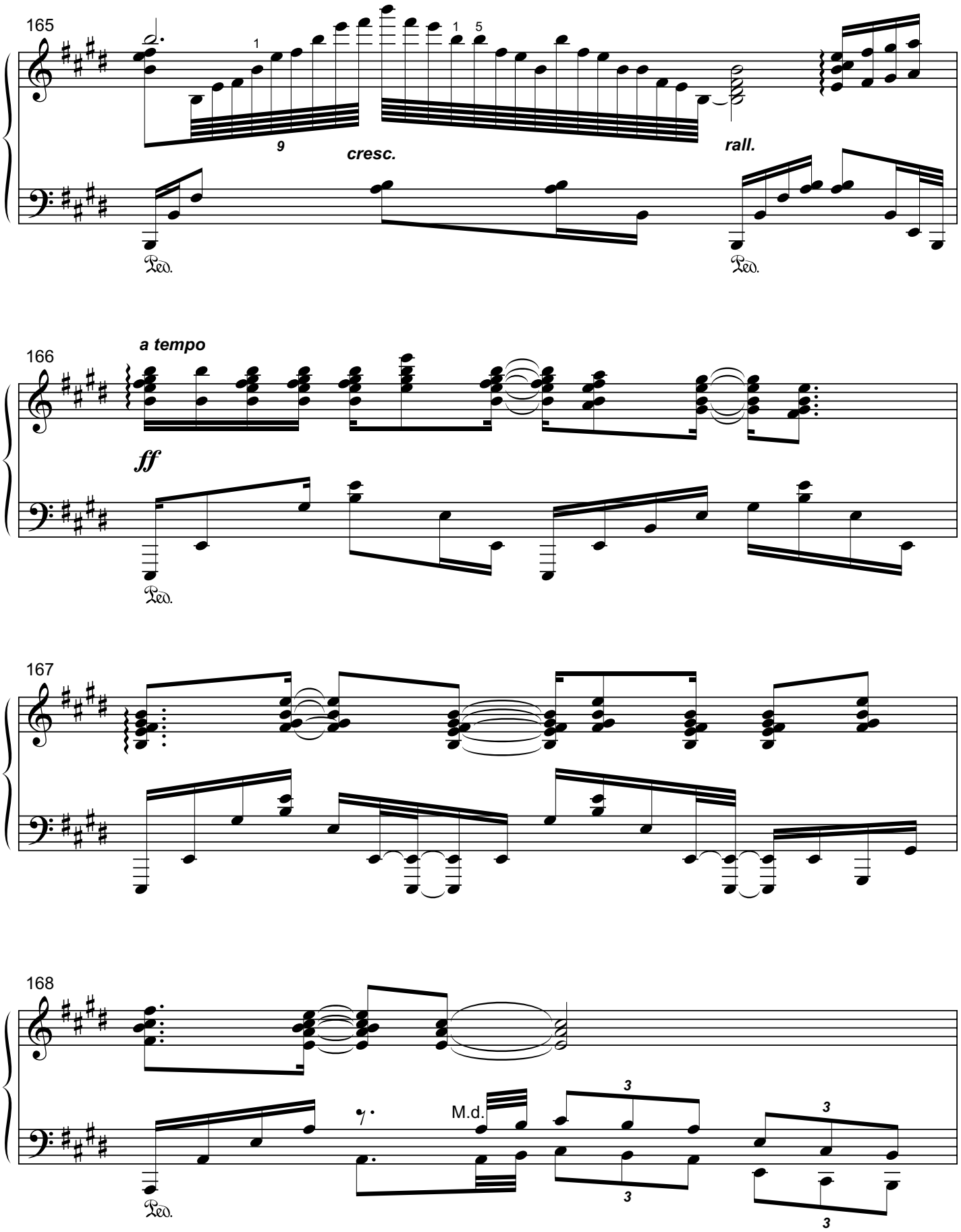
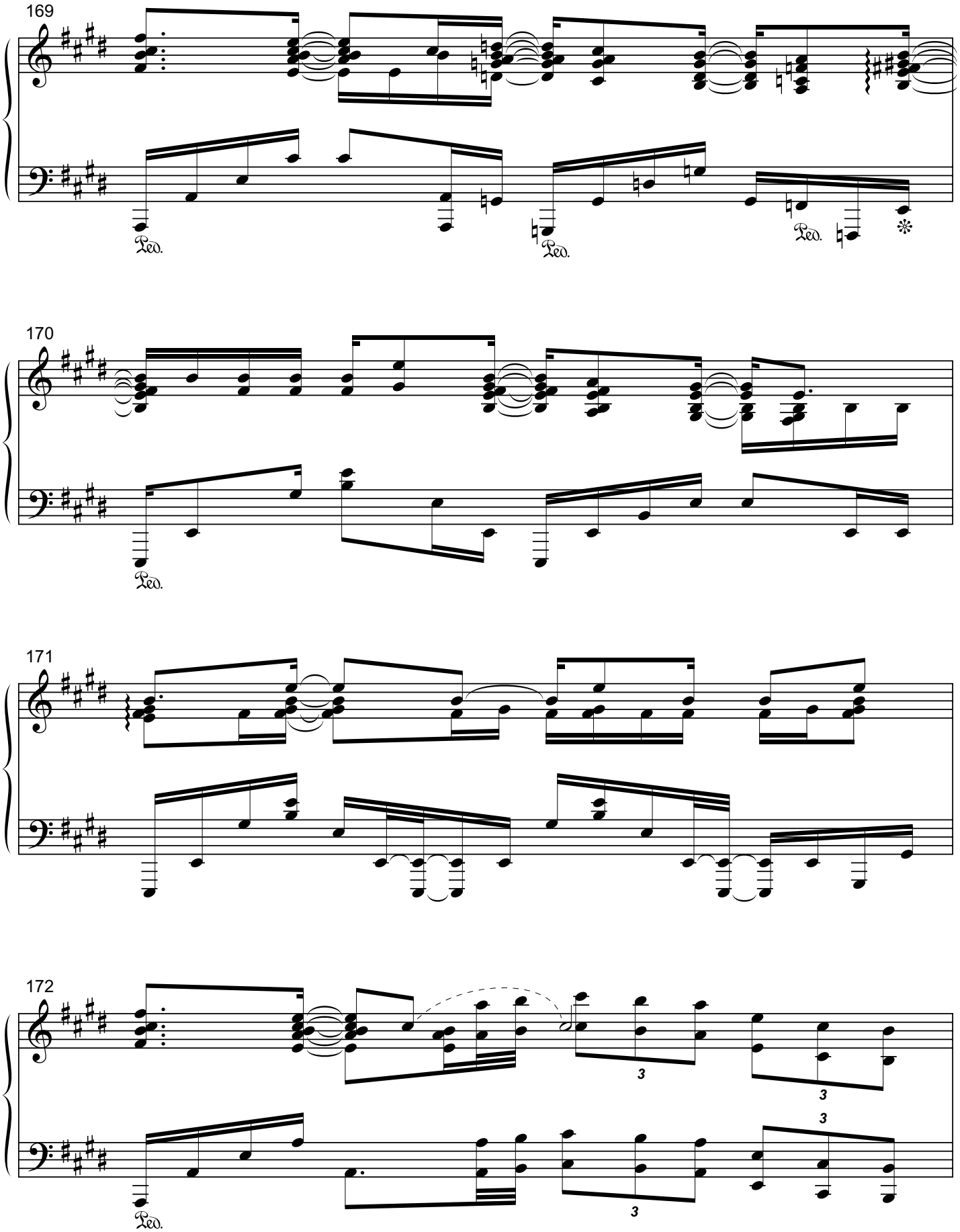
Ped.
159
160
Ped.


161
Ped.
Ped.
162
mf
Ped.
163
Ped.
164
3
Ped.
Ped.


165
1
9
cresc.
1 5
rall.
Ped.
Ped.
166
a tempo
ff
Ped.
167
168
M.d.
3
3
3
3
Ped.


169
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
170
Ped.
171
172
3
3
3
3
Ped.

173

174

f

p o c o -

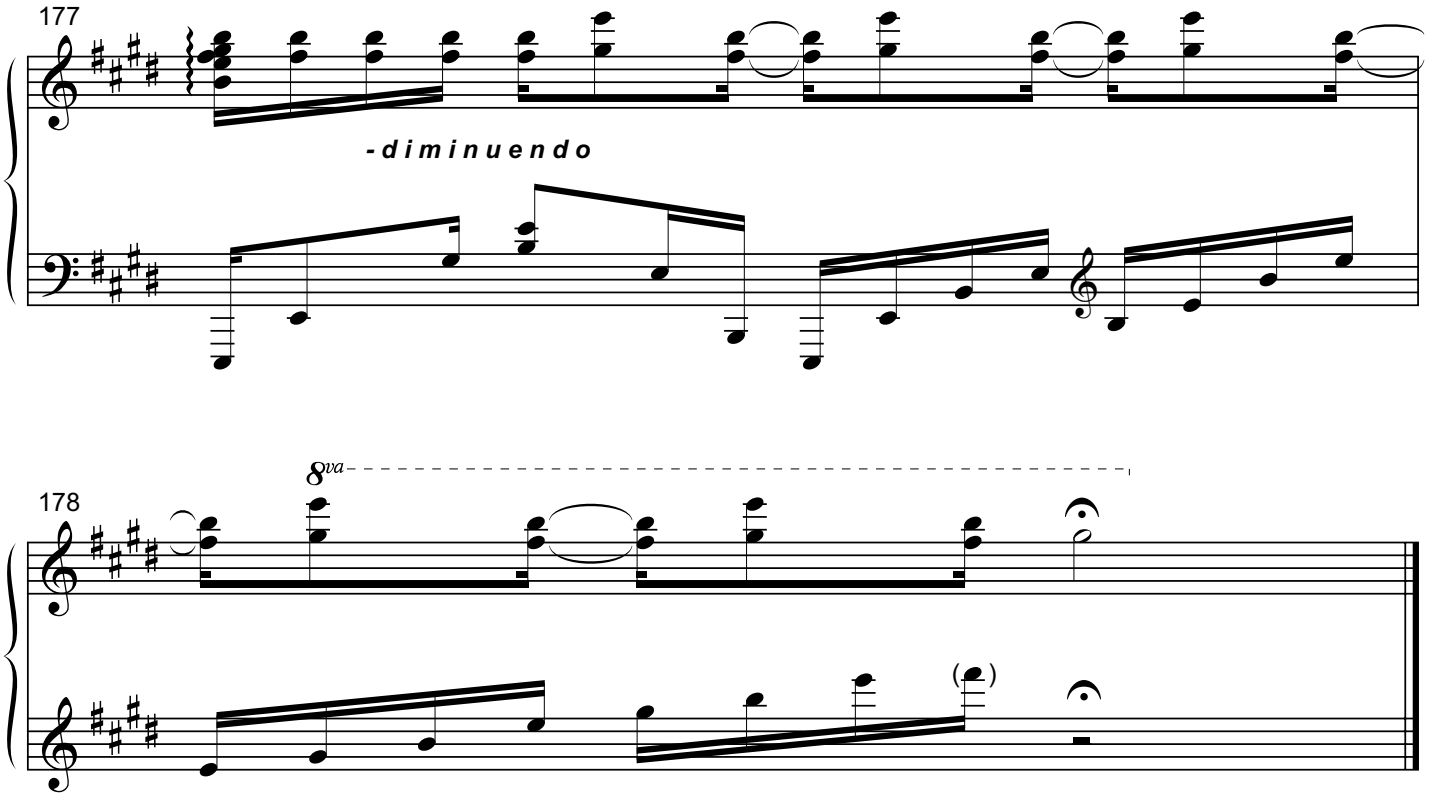
(hold pedal to the end)

175

- a -

176

- p o c o -


177
- d i m i n u e n d o
178
8va

A LITTLE GEM

from the recording, "Something About the Moon"

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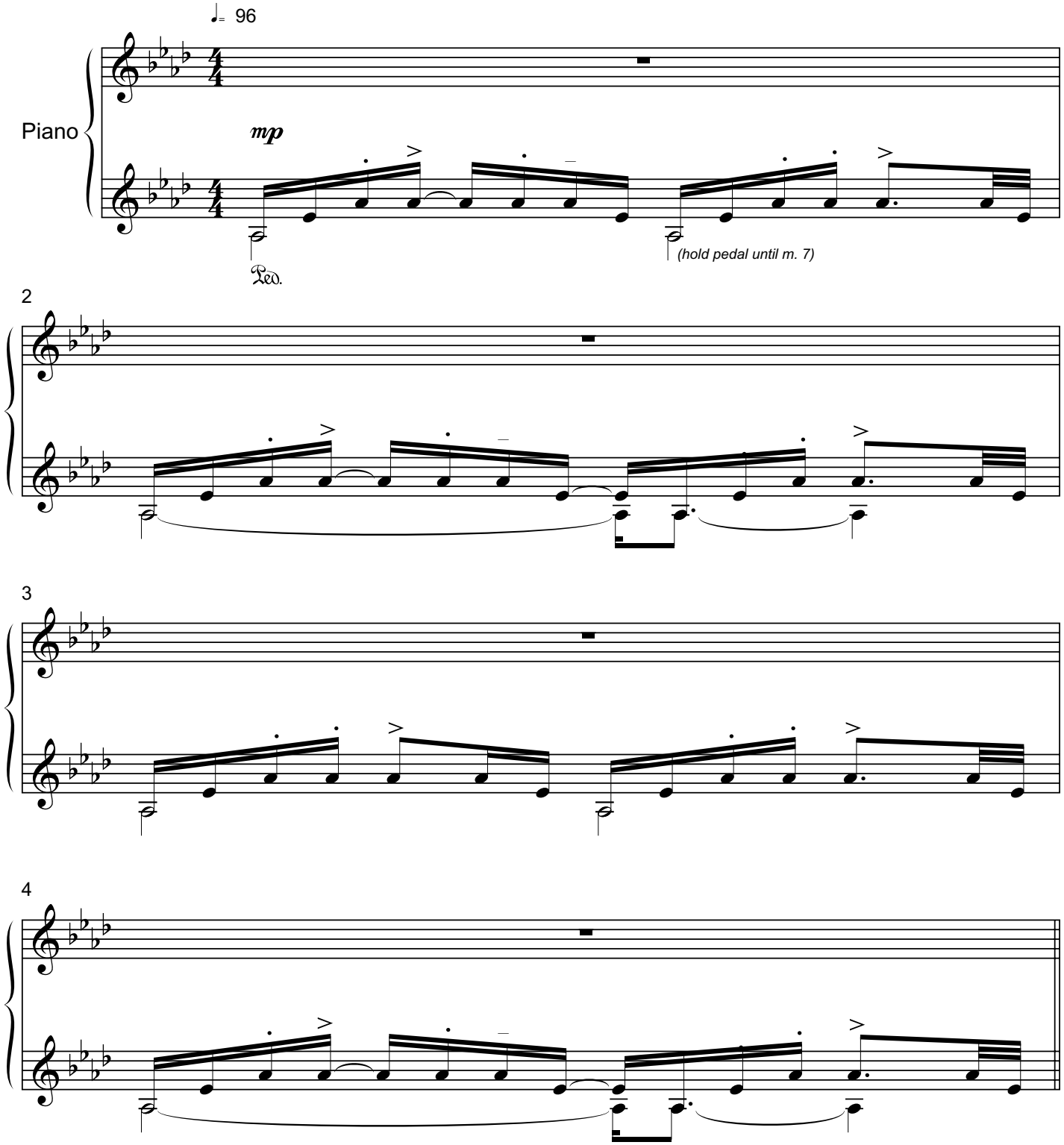

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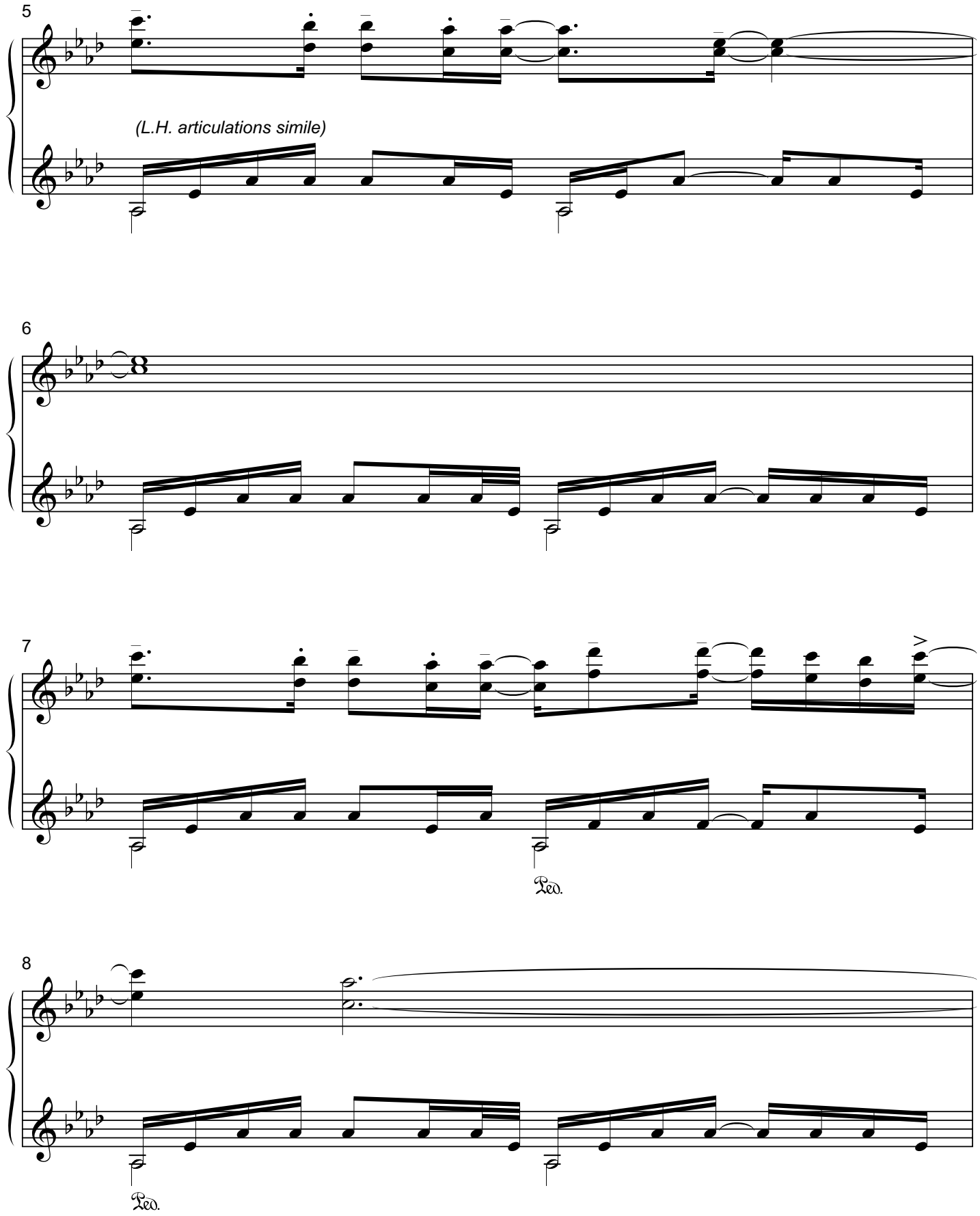
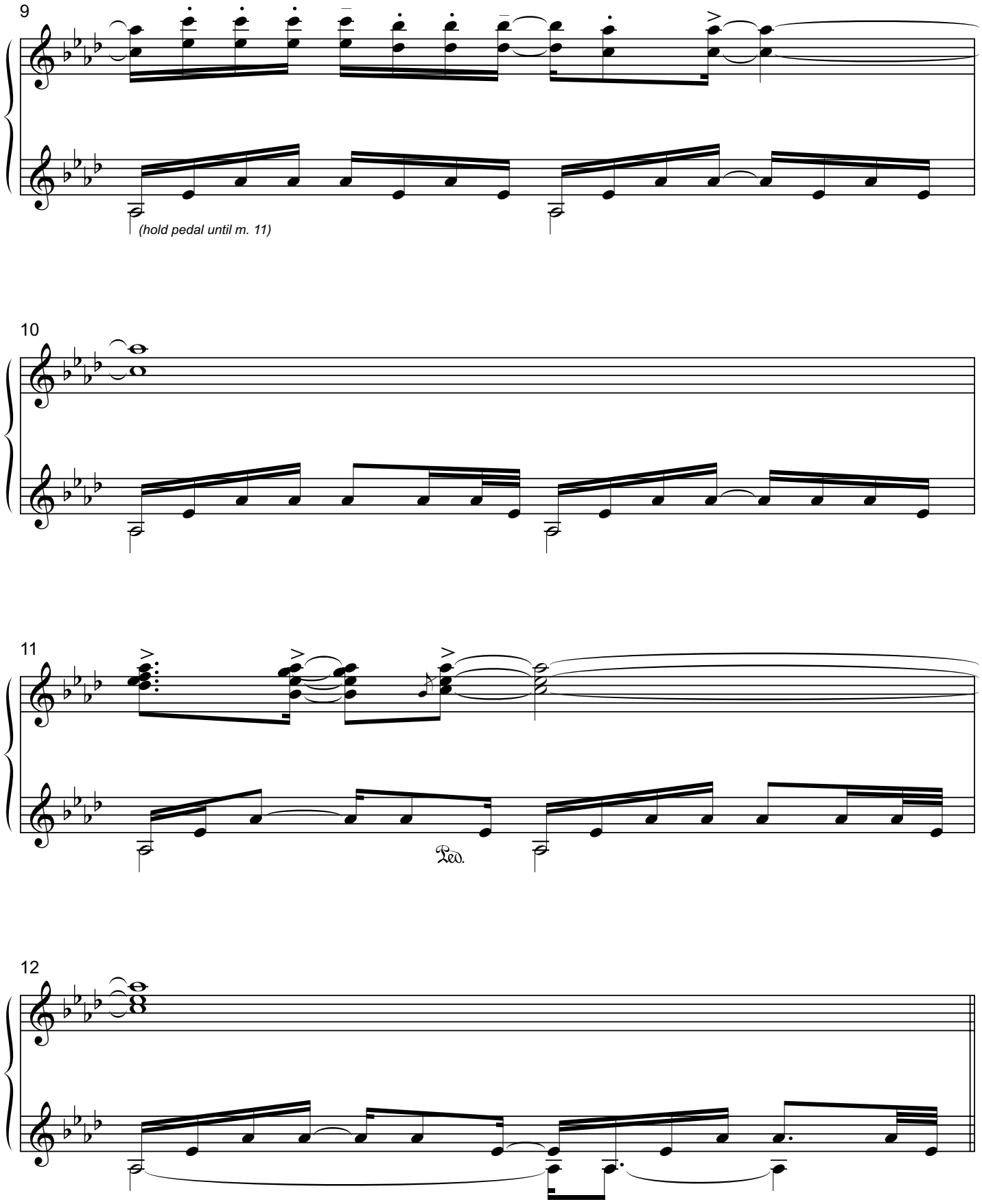
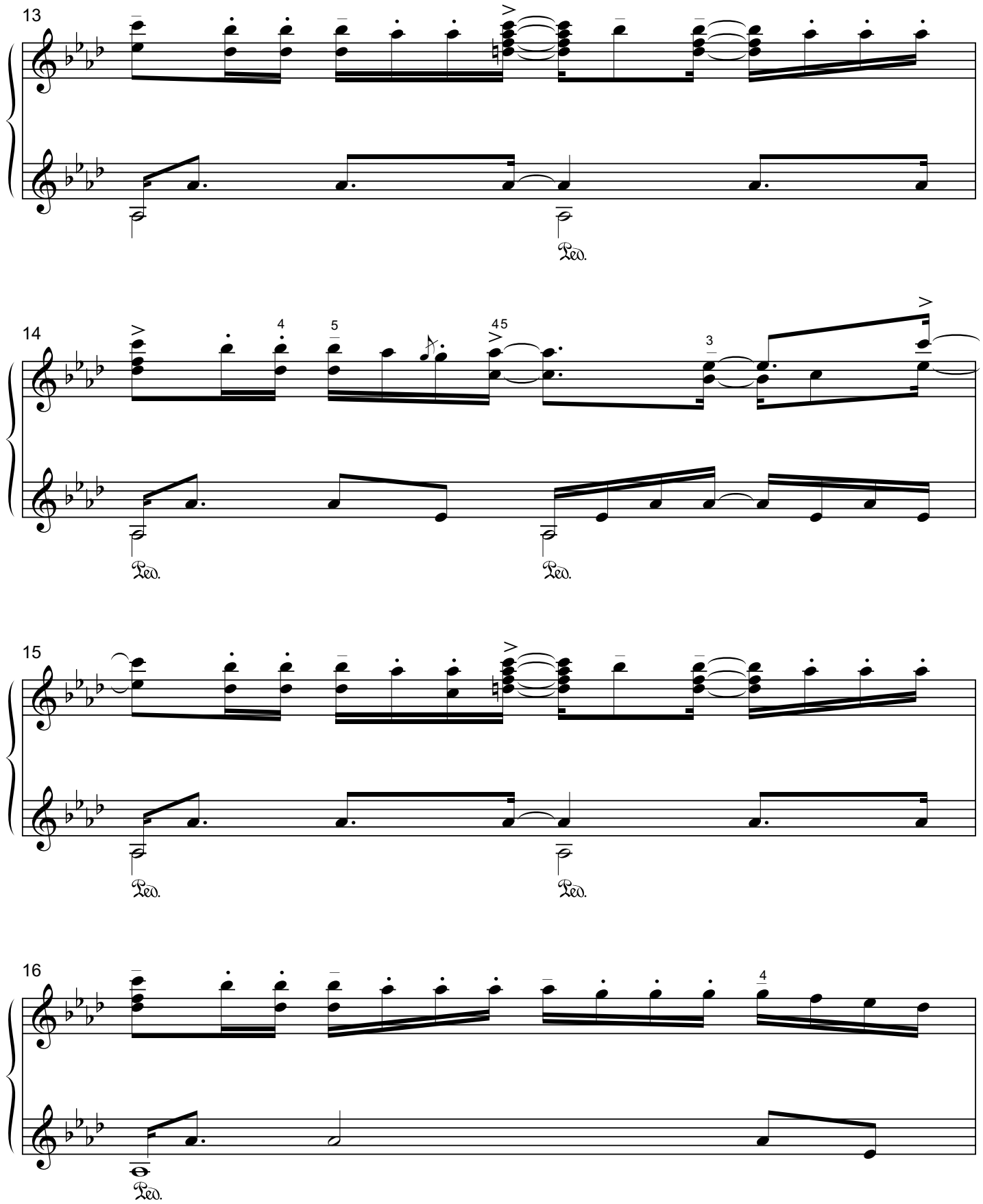
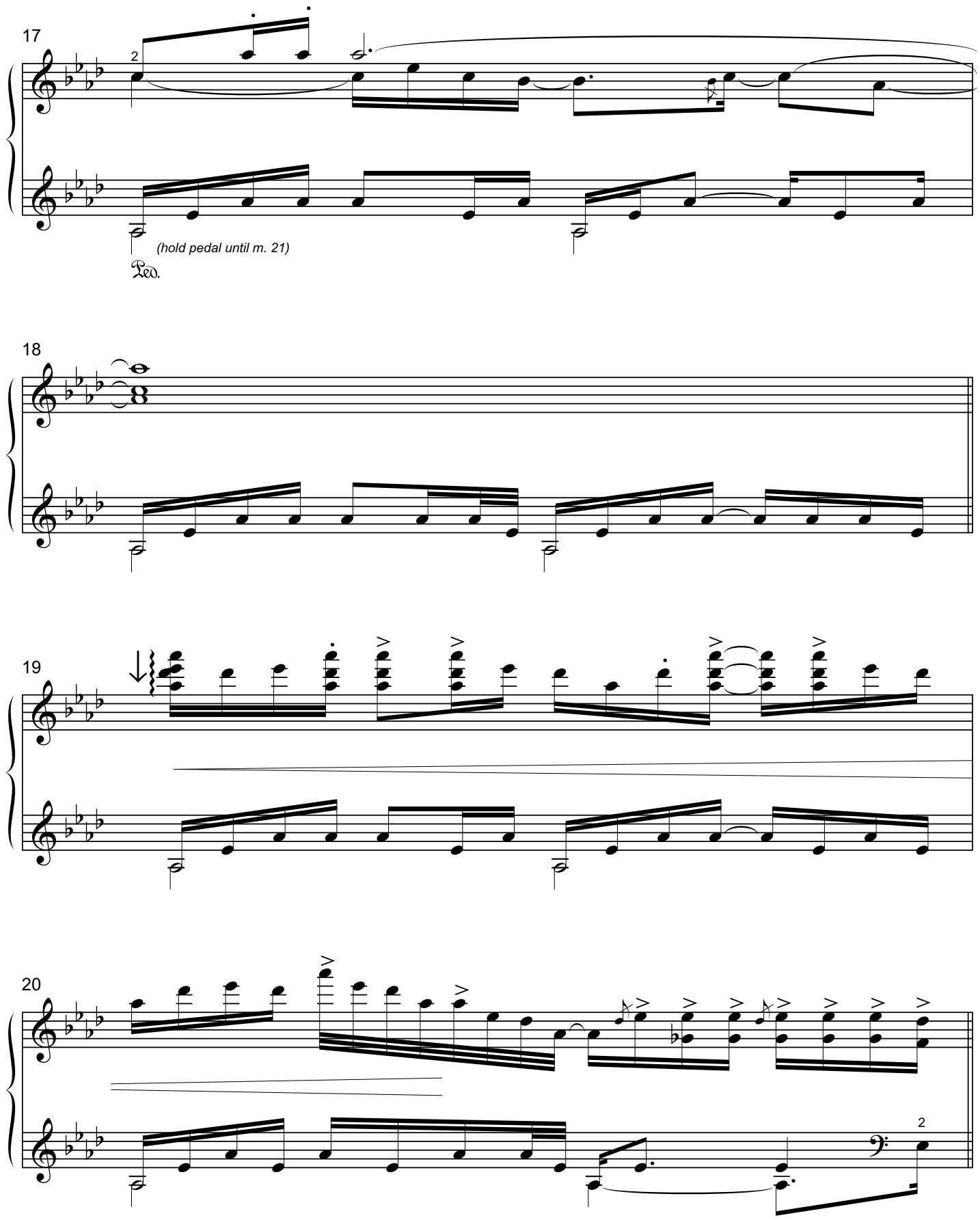
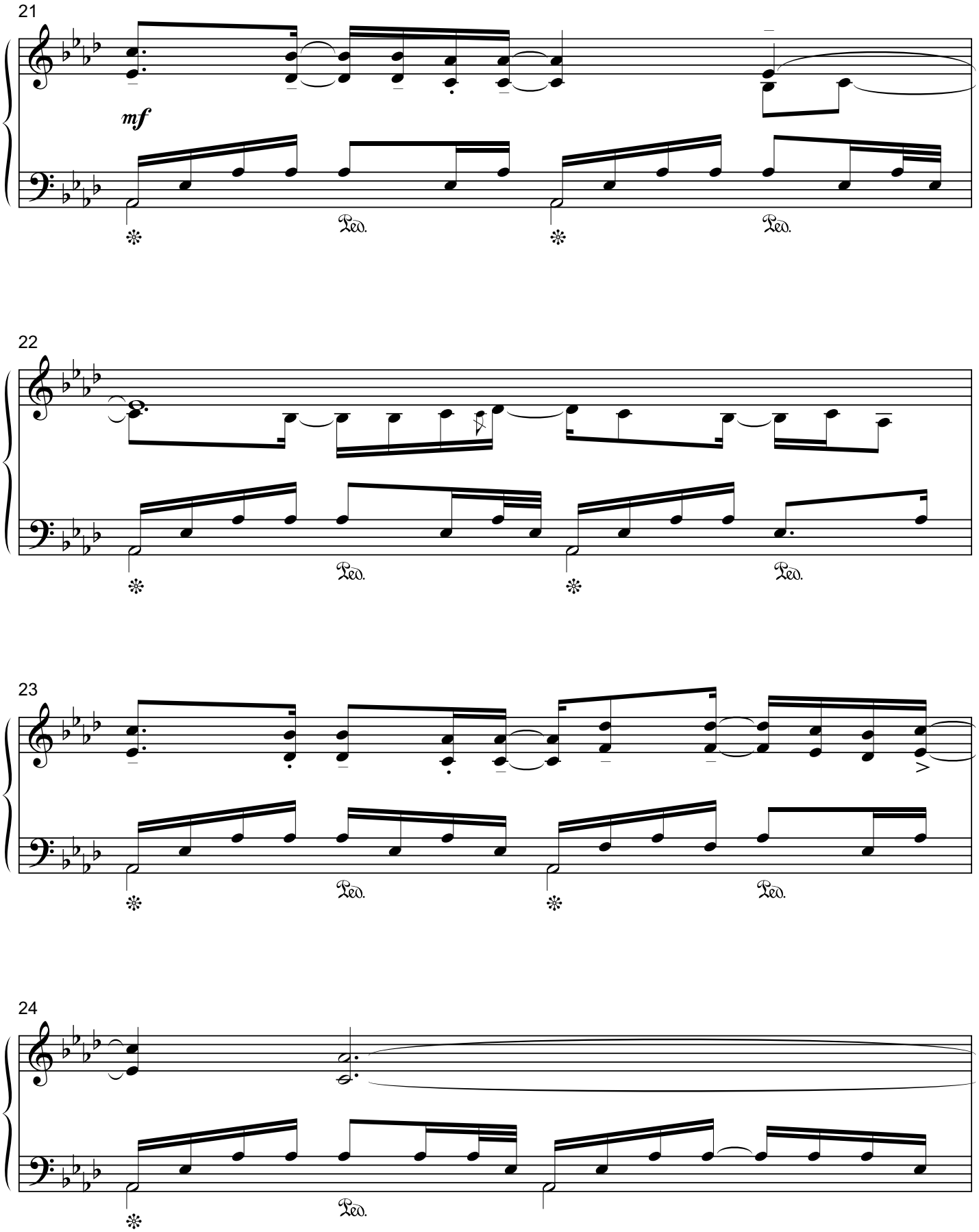
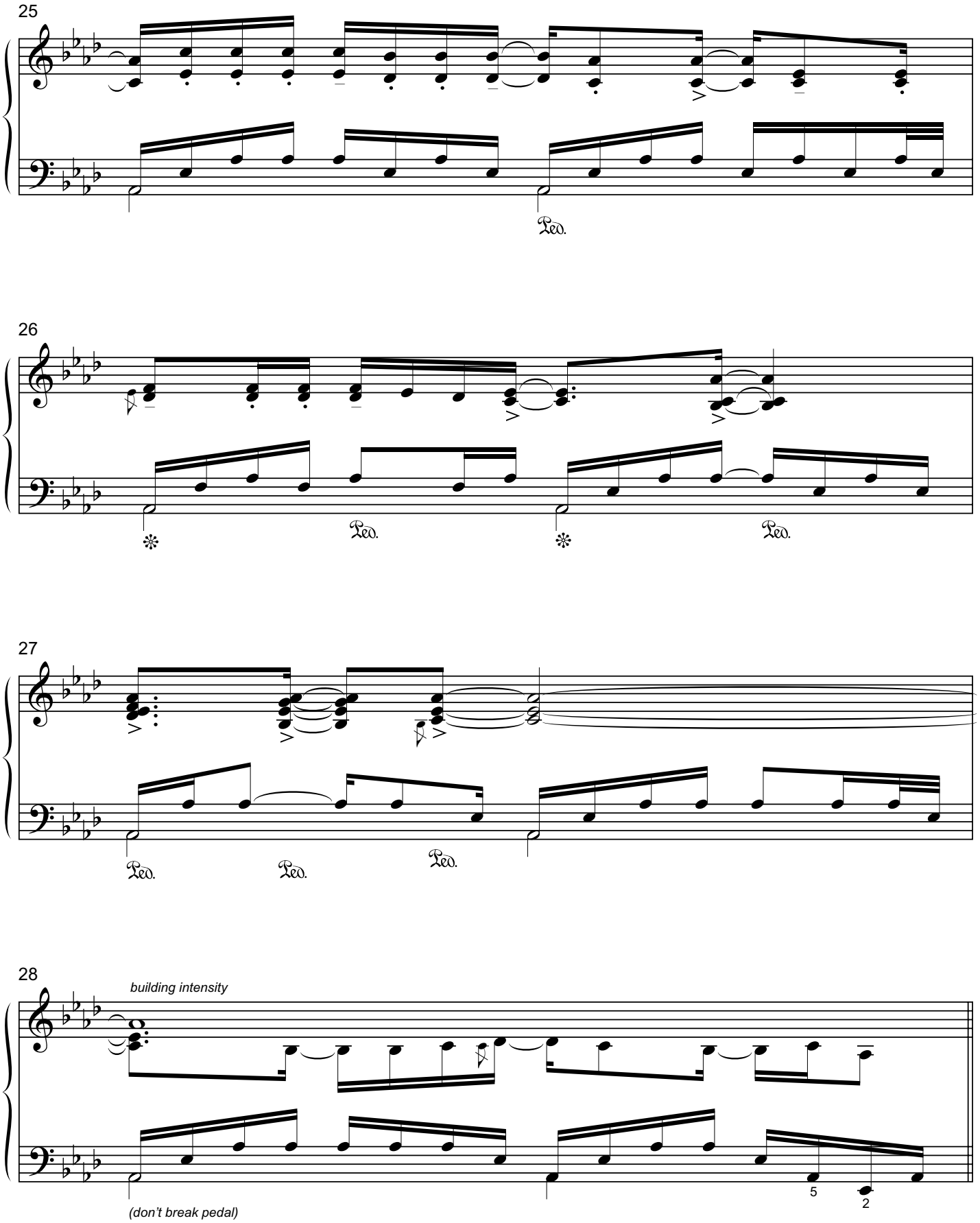

5
(L.H. articulations simile)
6
7
Ped.
8
Ped.

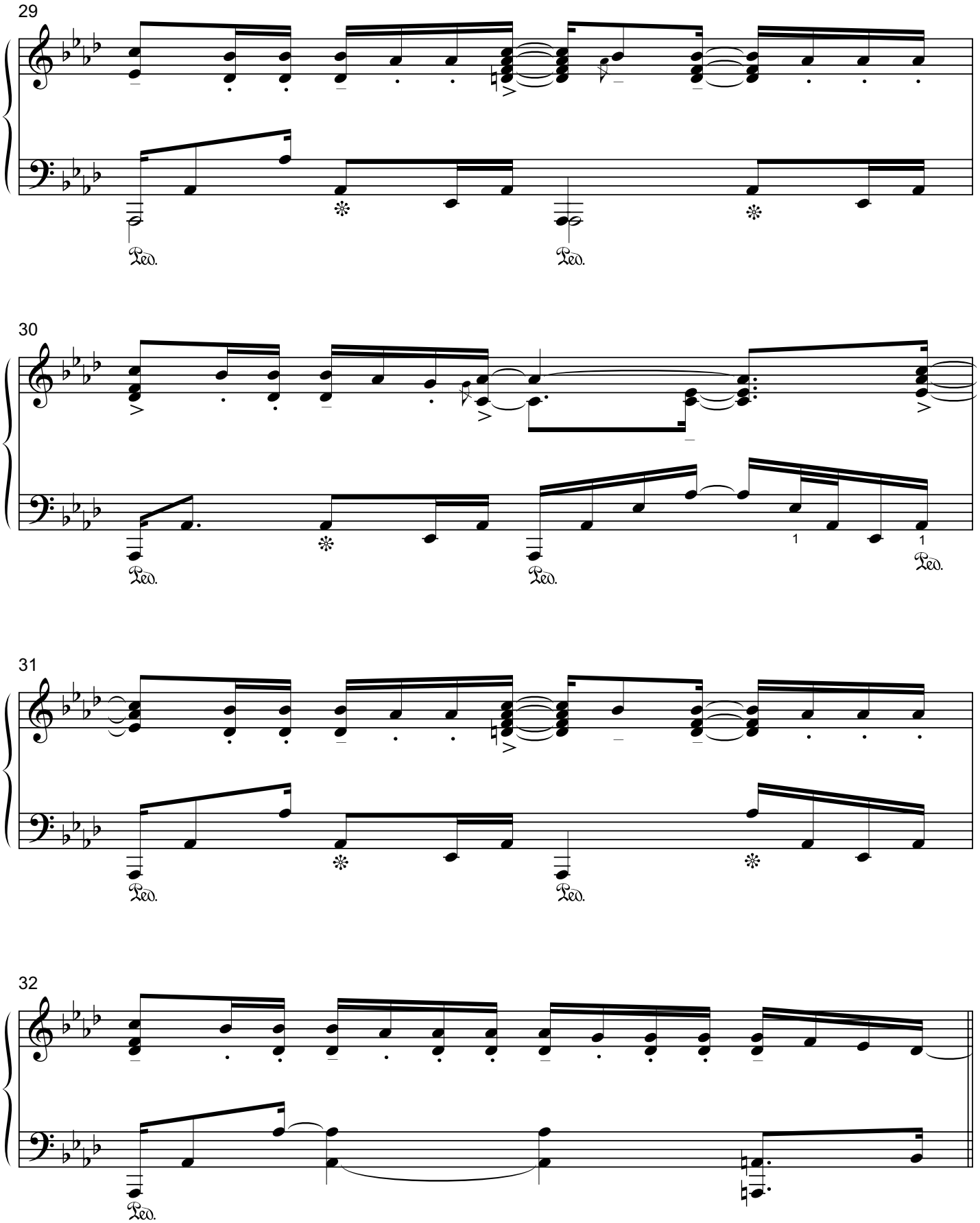

9
(hold pedal until m. 11)
10
11
Ped.
12

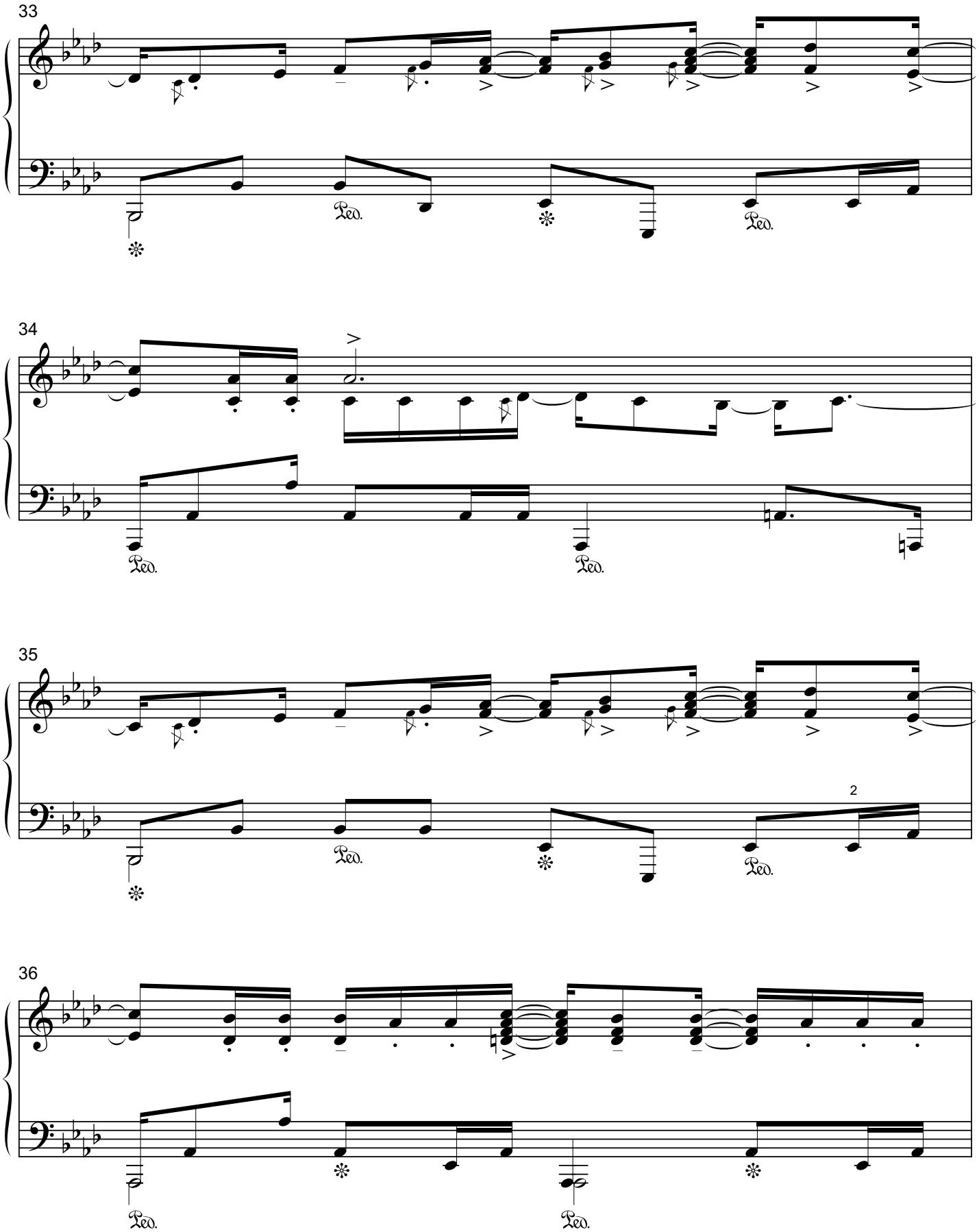

13
Ped.
14
4
5
45
3
Ped.
Ped.
15
Ped.
Ped.
16
4
Ped.

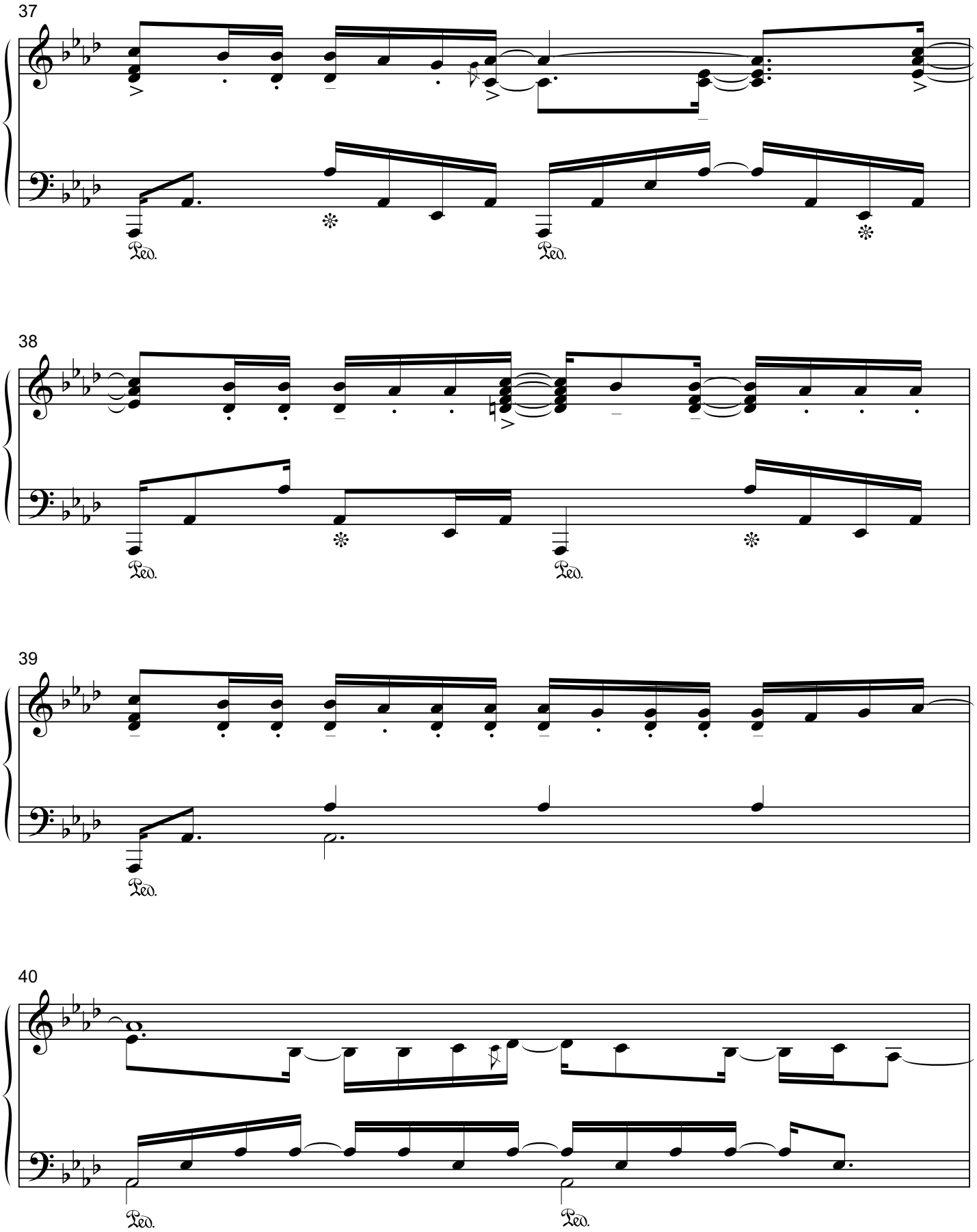

17
2
(hold pedal until m. 21)
Ped.
18
19
20
2

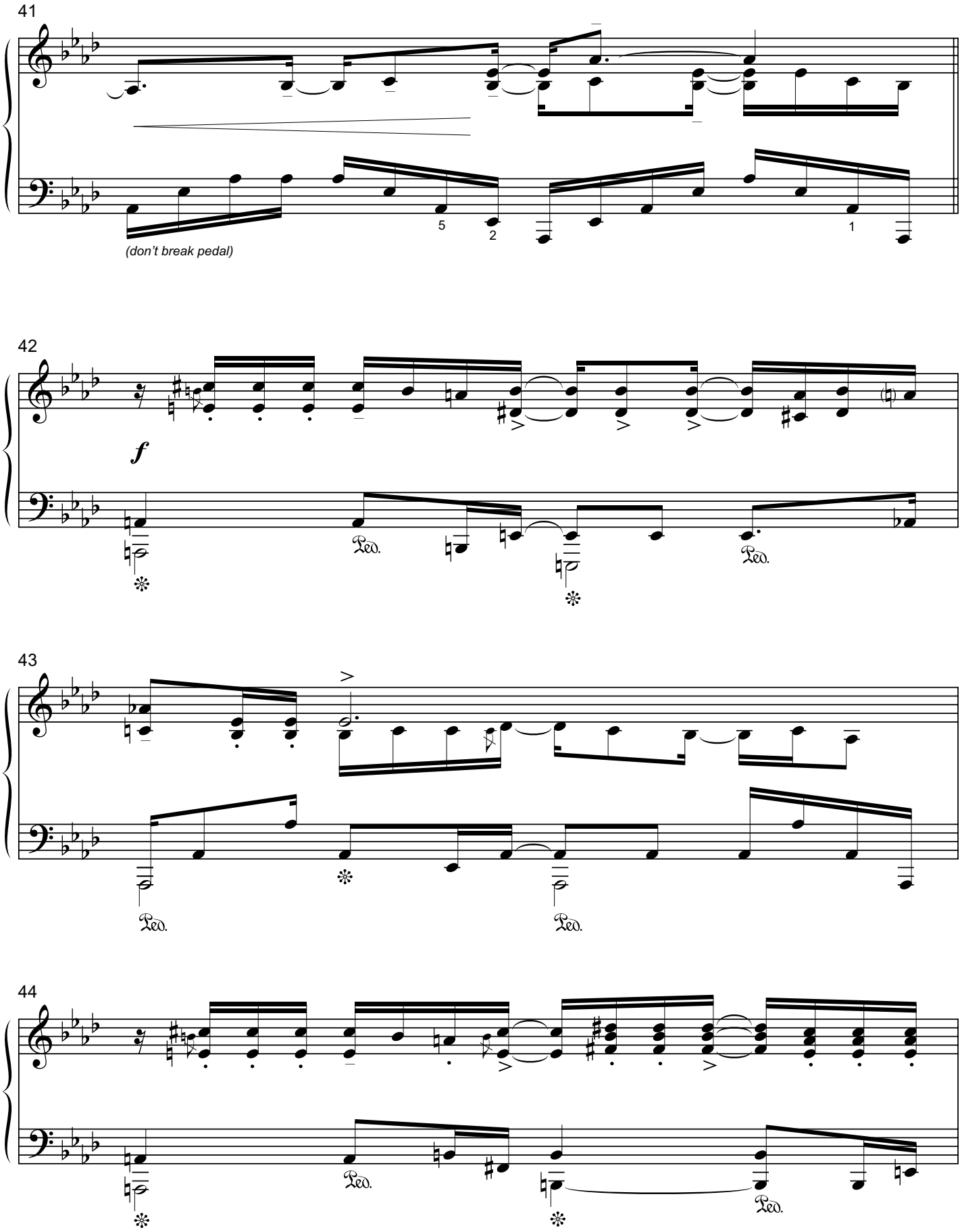

21
mf
Ped.
Ped.
22
Ped.
Ped.
23
Ped.
Ped.
24
Ped.

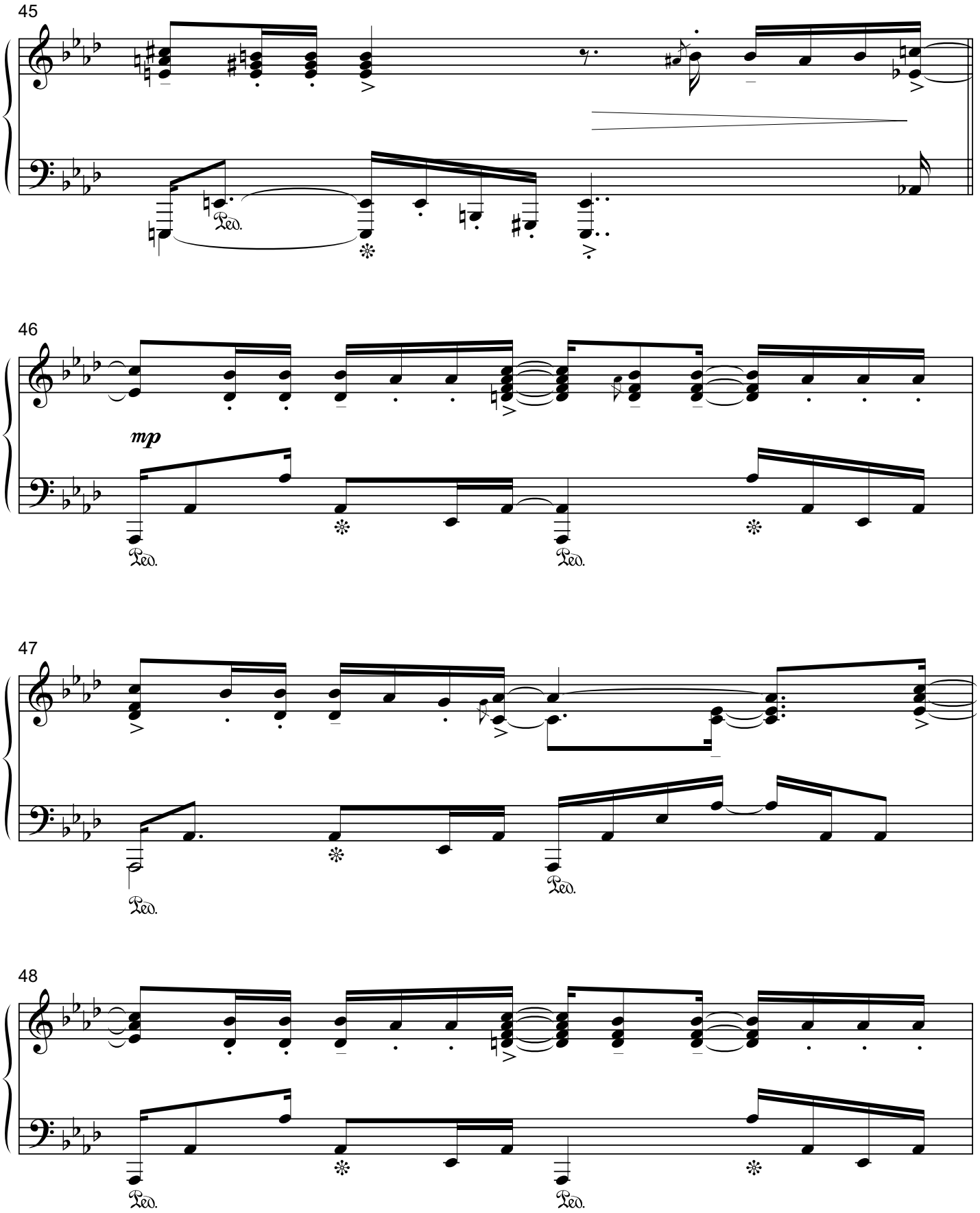

25
Ped.
26
Ped.
Ped.
27
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
28
building intensity
(don't break pedal)
5
2

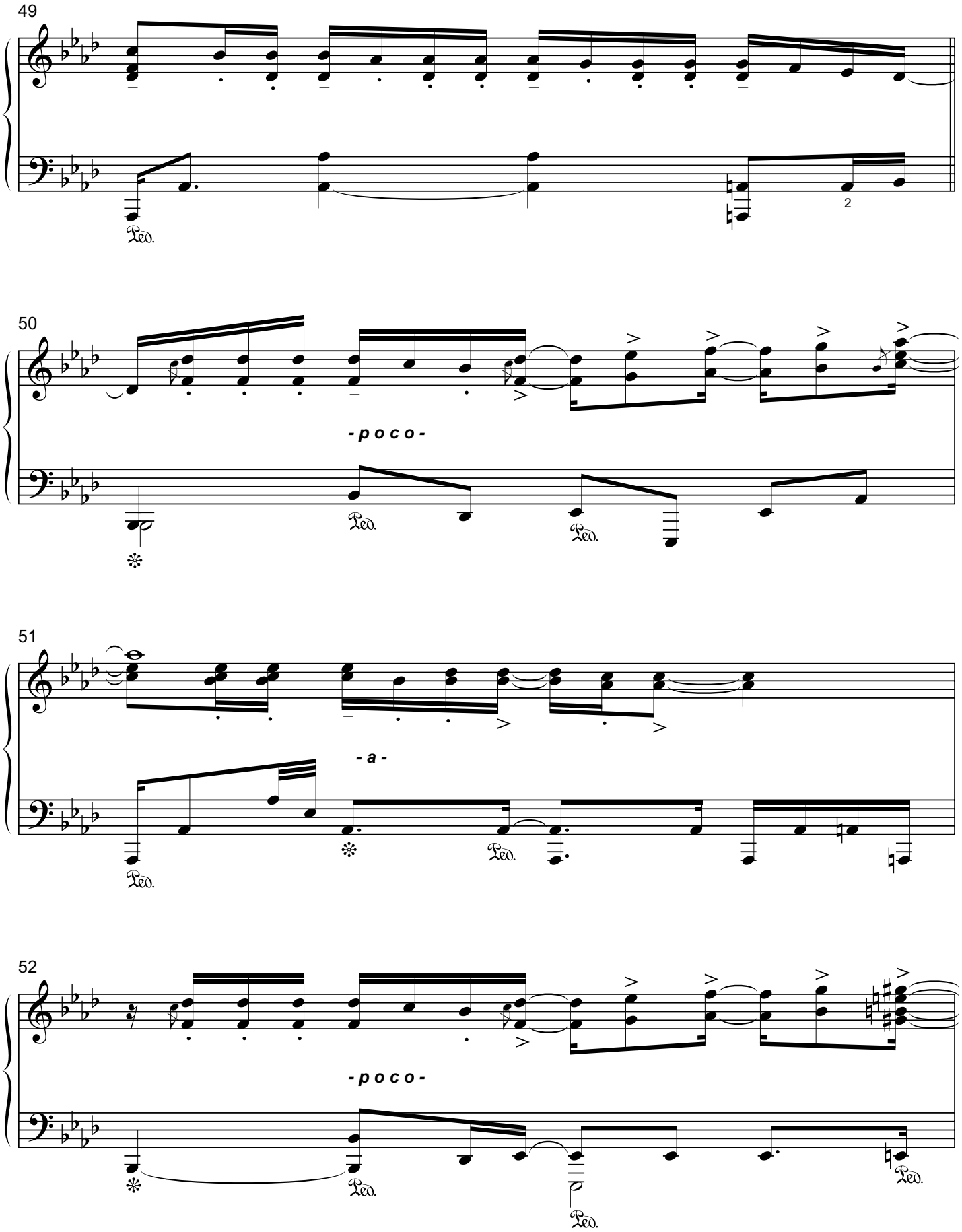

29
Ped.
Ped.
30
Ped.
Ped.
1
1
Ped.
31
Ped.
Ped.
32
Ped.

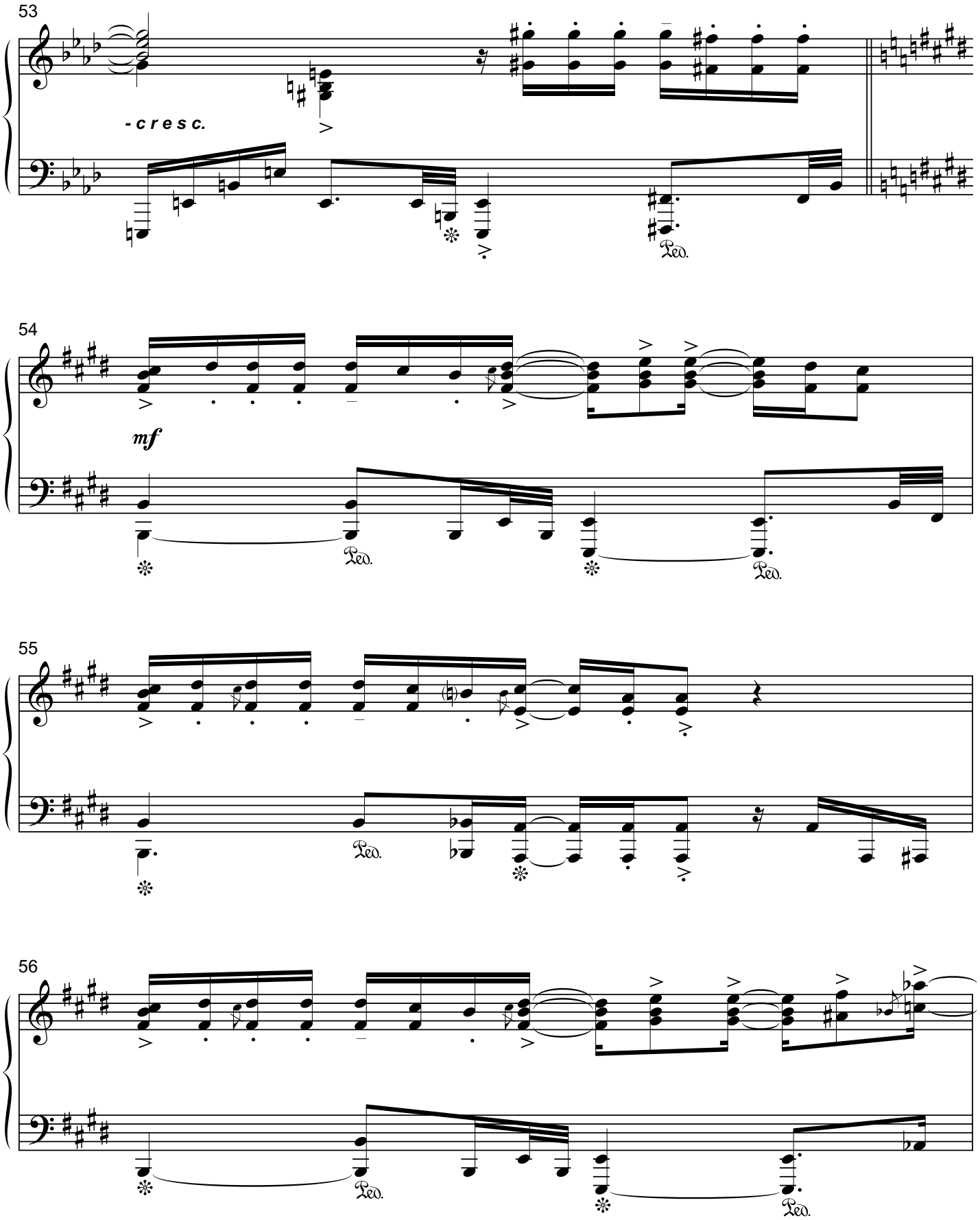

33
34
35
2
36

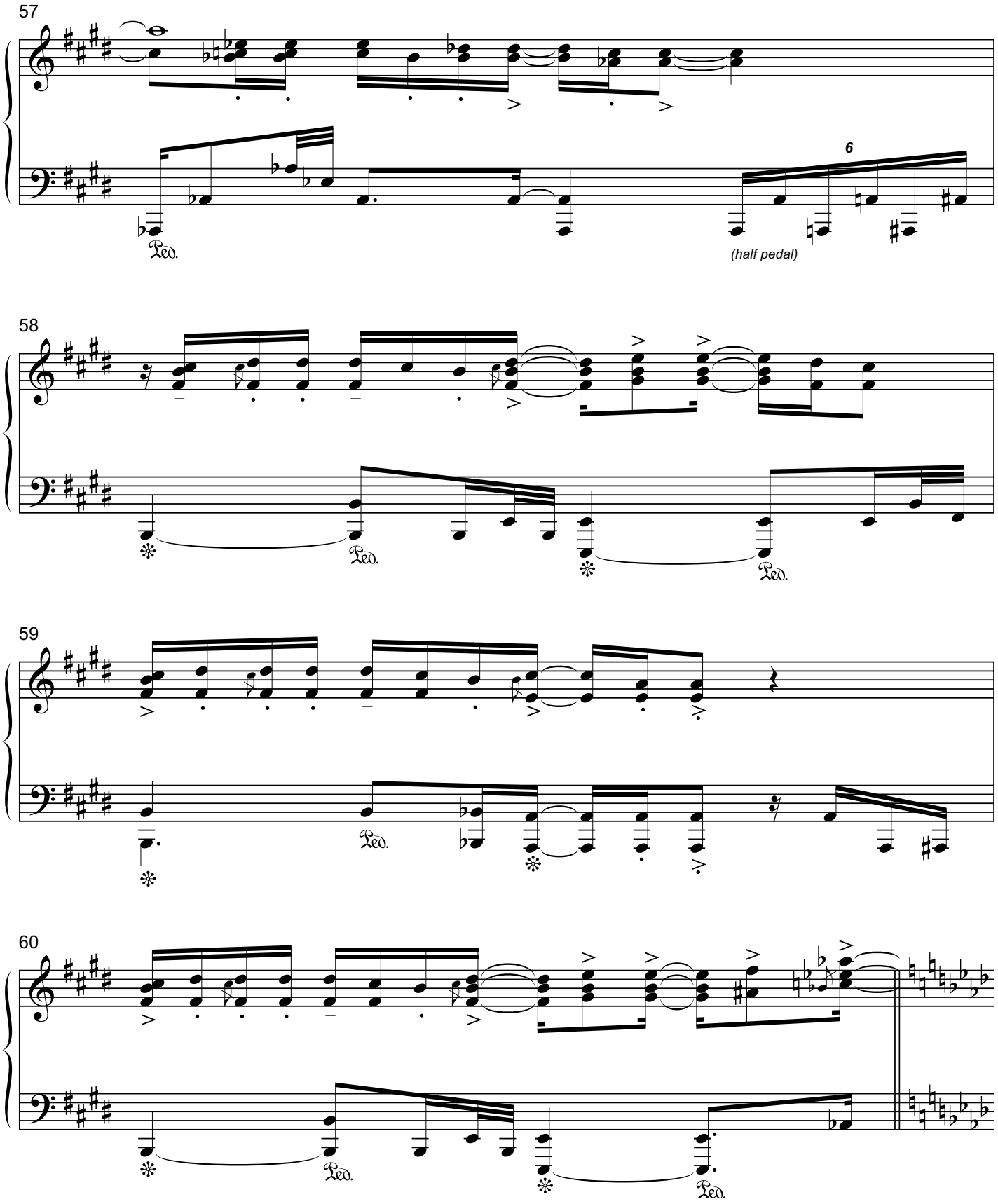

37
Ped.
Ped.
38
Ped.
Ped.
39
Ped.
40
Ped.
Ped.

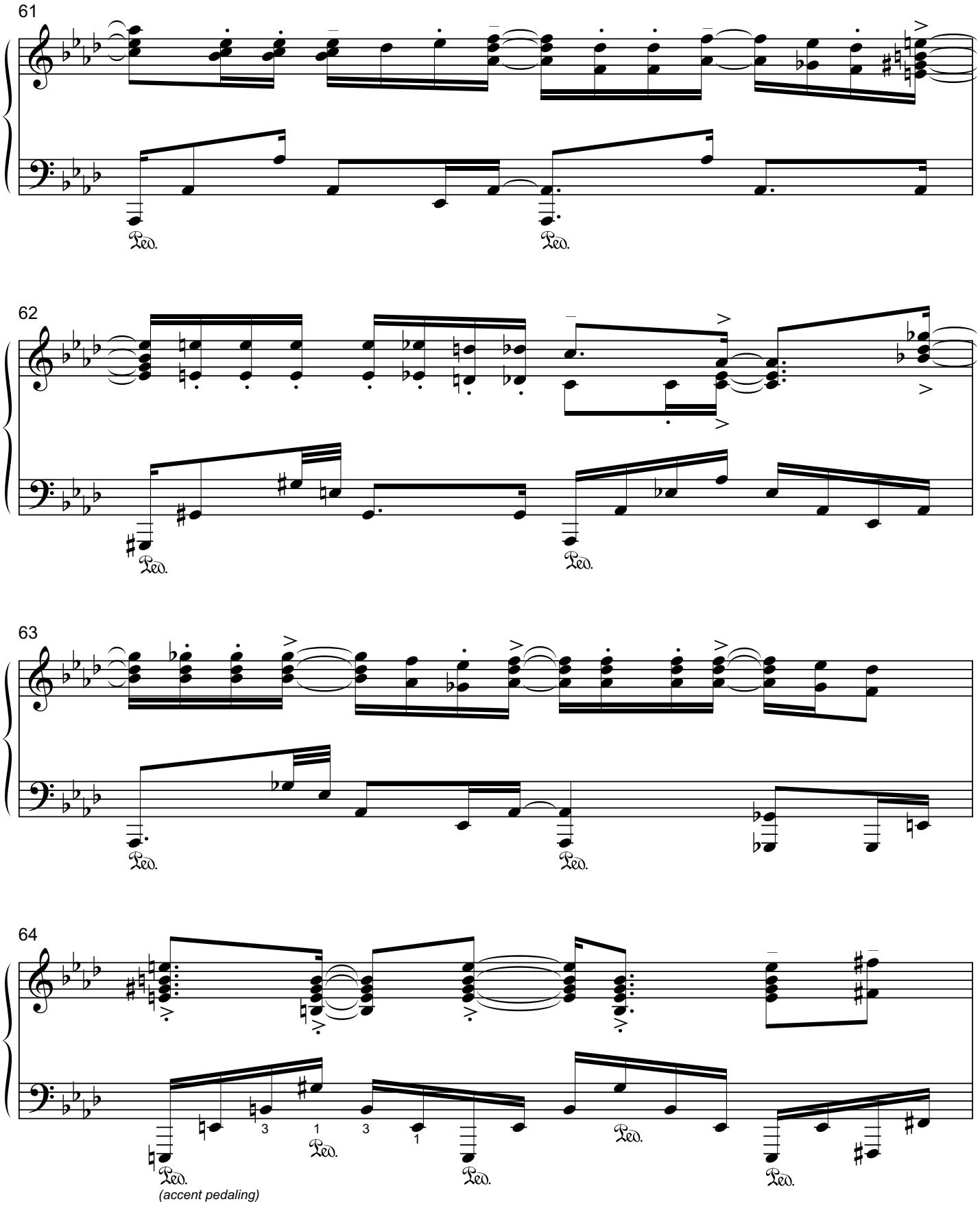

41
5
2
1
(don't break pedal)
42
f
Ped.
Ped.
43
Ped.
Ped.
44
Ped.
Ped.

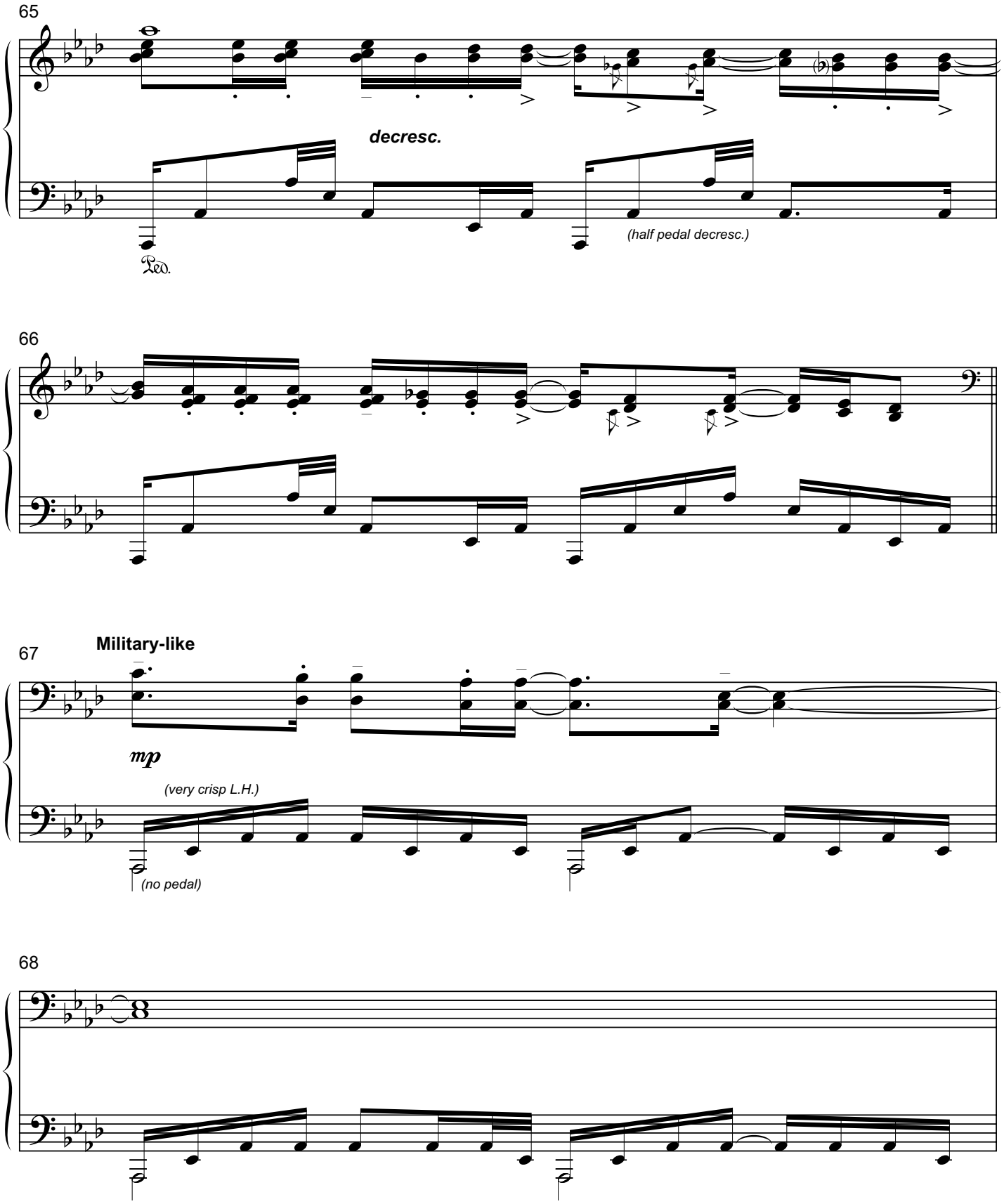

45
46
mp
47
48

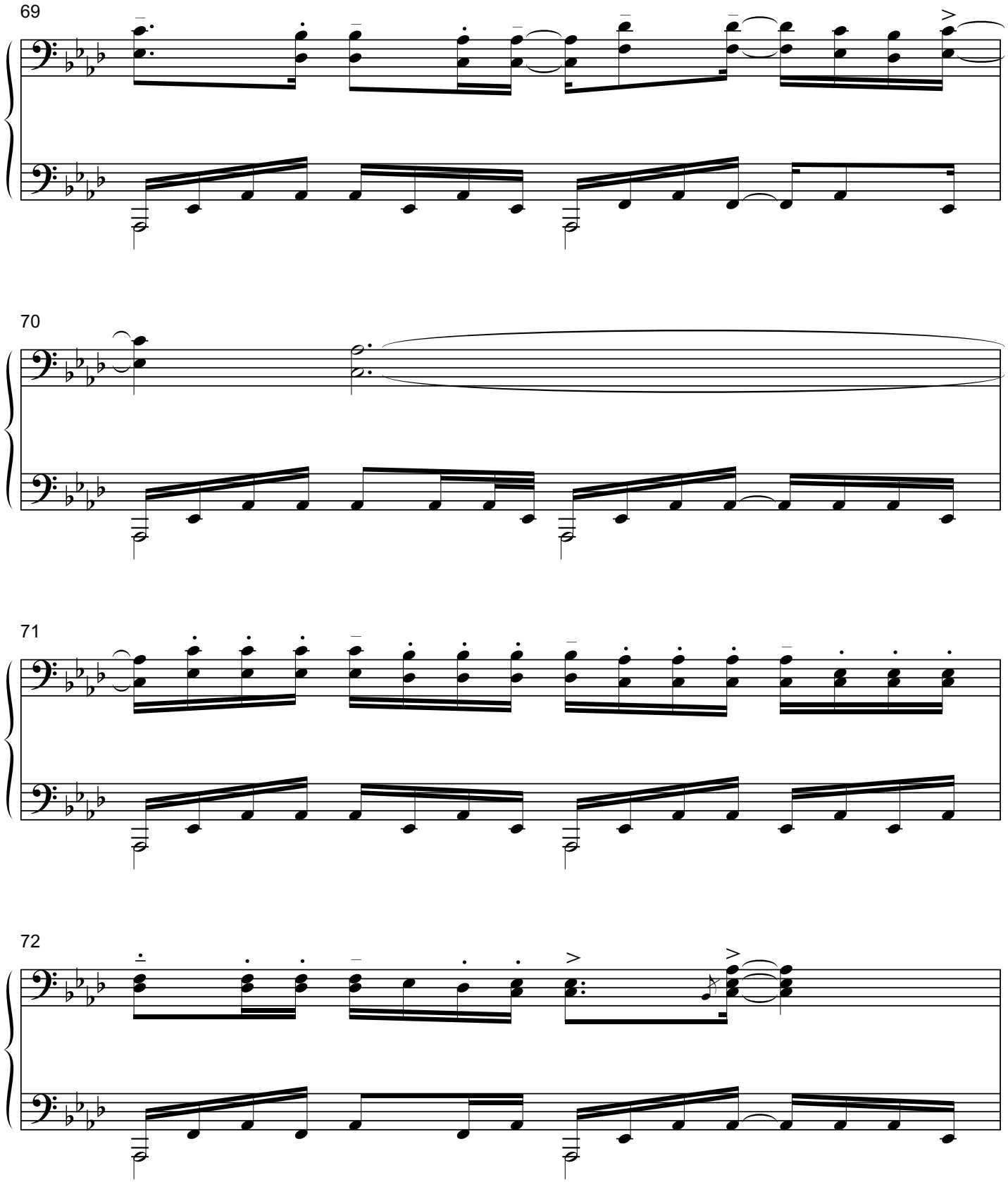

49
2
Ped.
50
- p o c o -
Ped.
Ped.
51
- a -
Ped.
Ped.
52
- p o c o -
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.

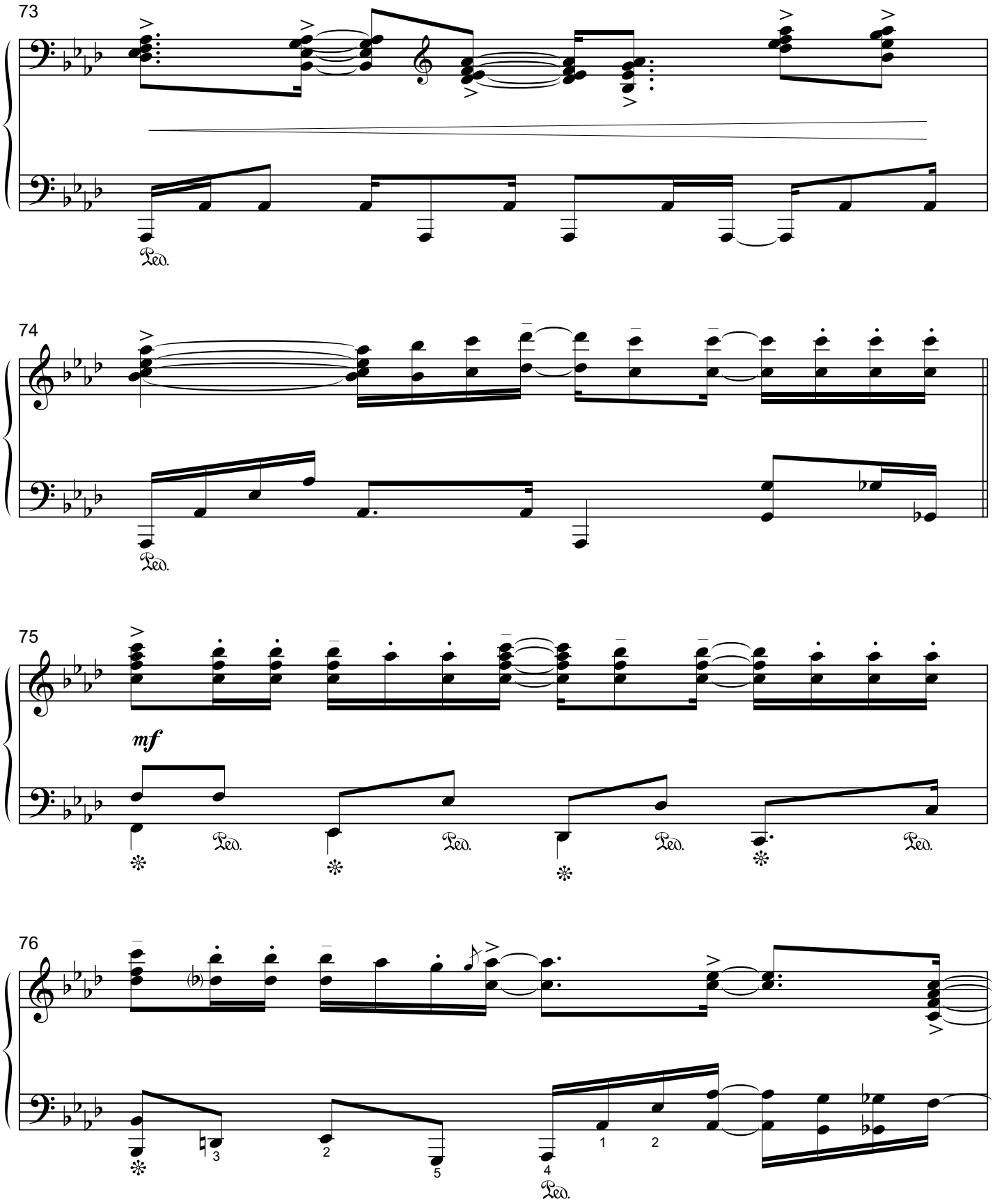

53
- c r e s c.
54
mf
55
56

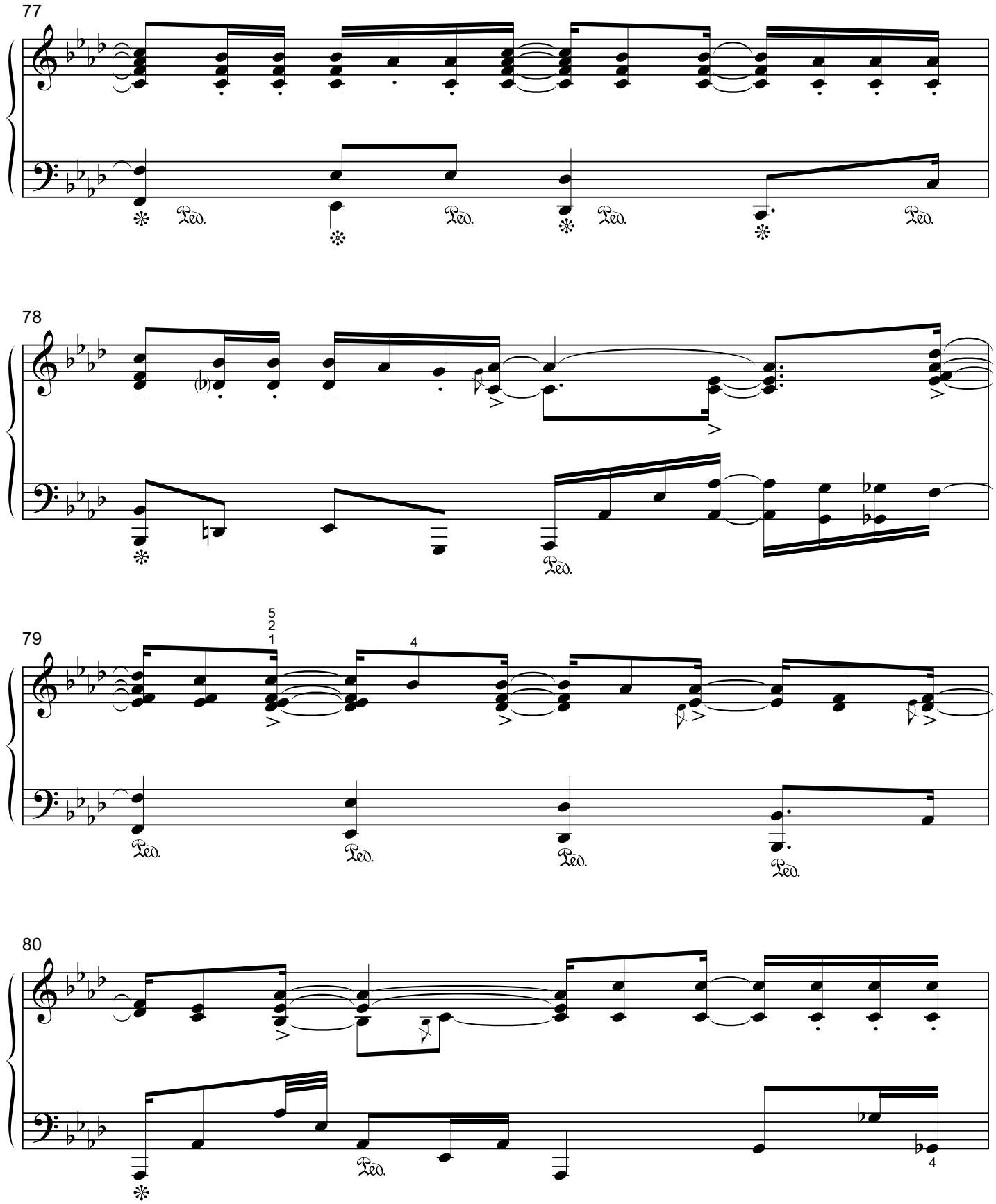

57
6
(half pedal)
58
59
60

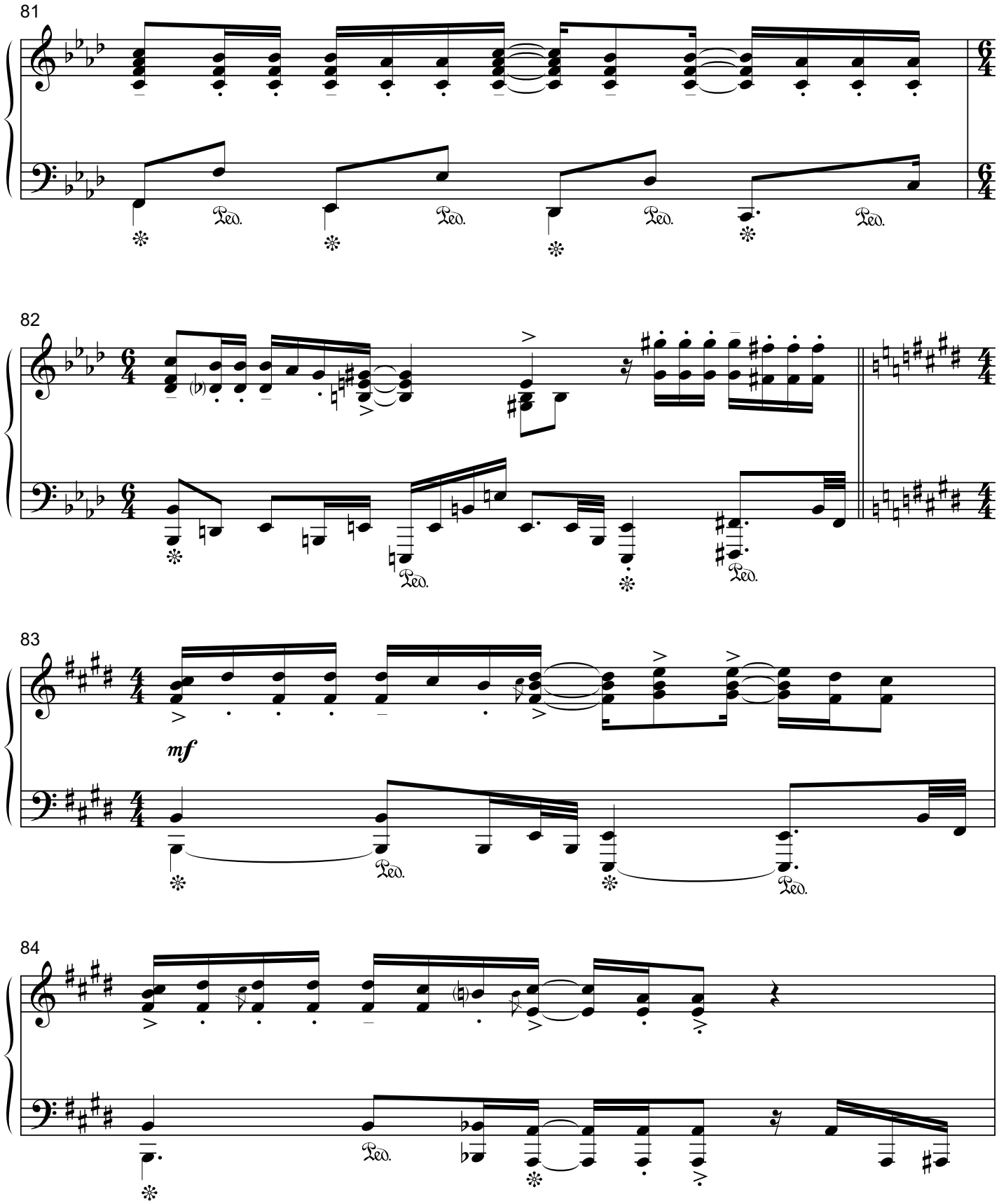

61
62
63
64
Ped.
(accent pedaling)

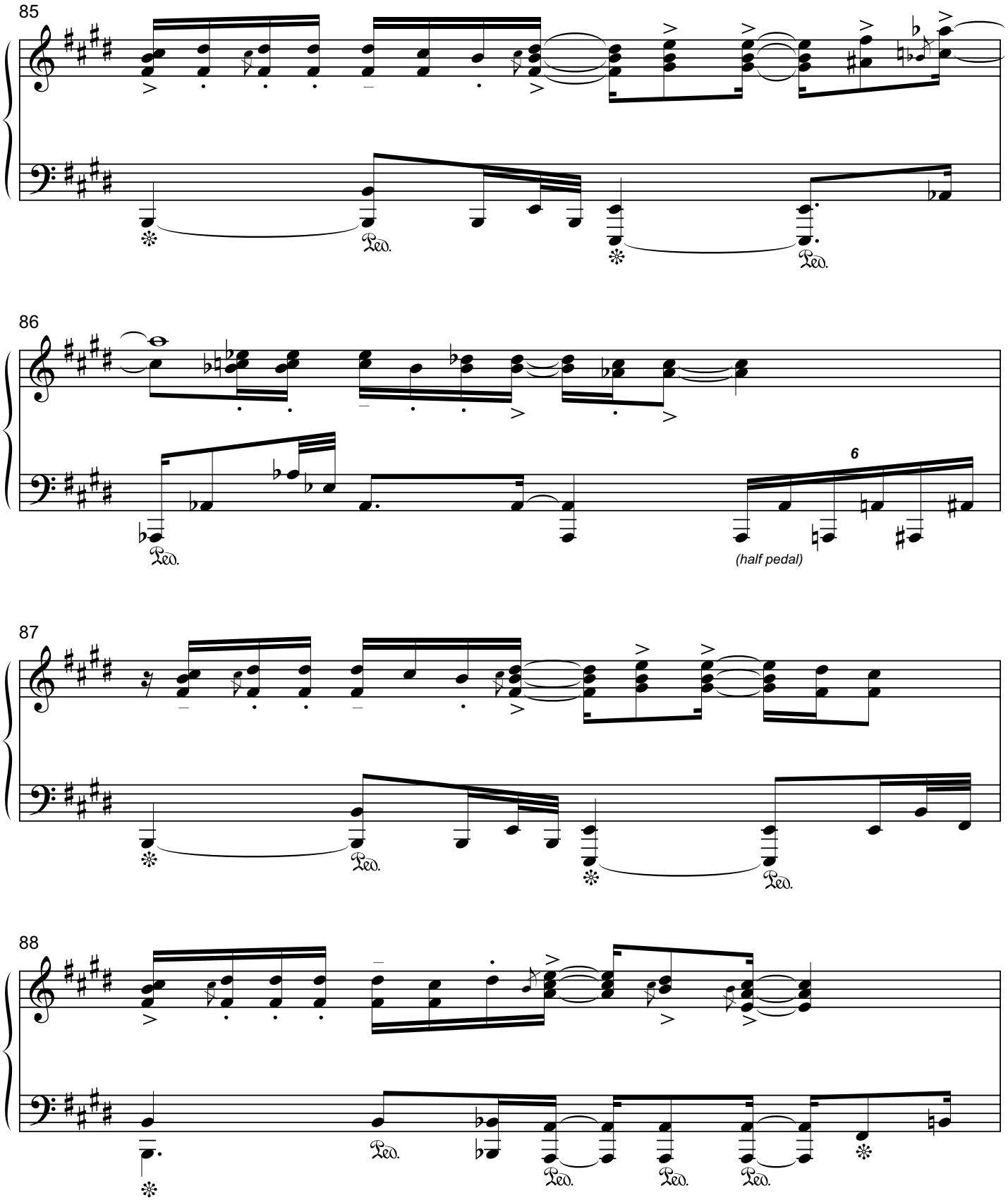

65
decresc.
(half pedal decresc.)
Ped.
66
67
Military-like
mp
(very crisp L.H.)
(no pedal)
68

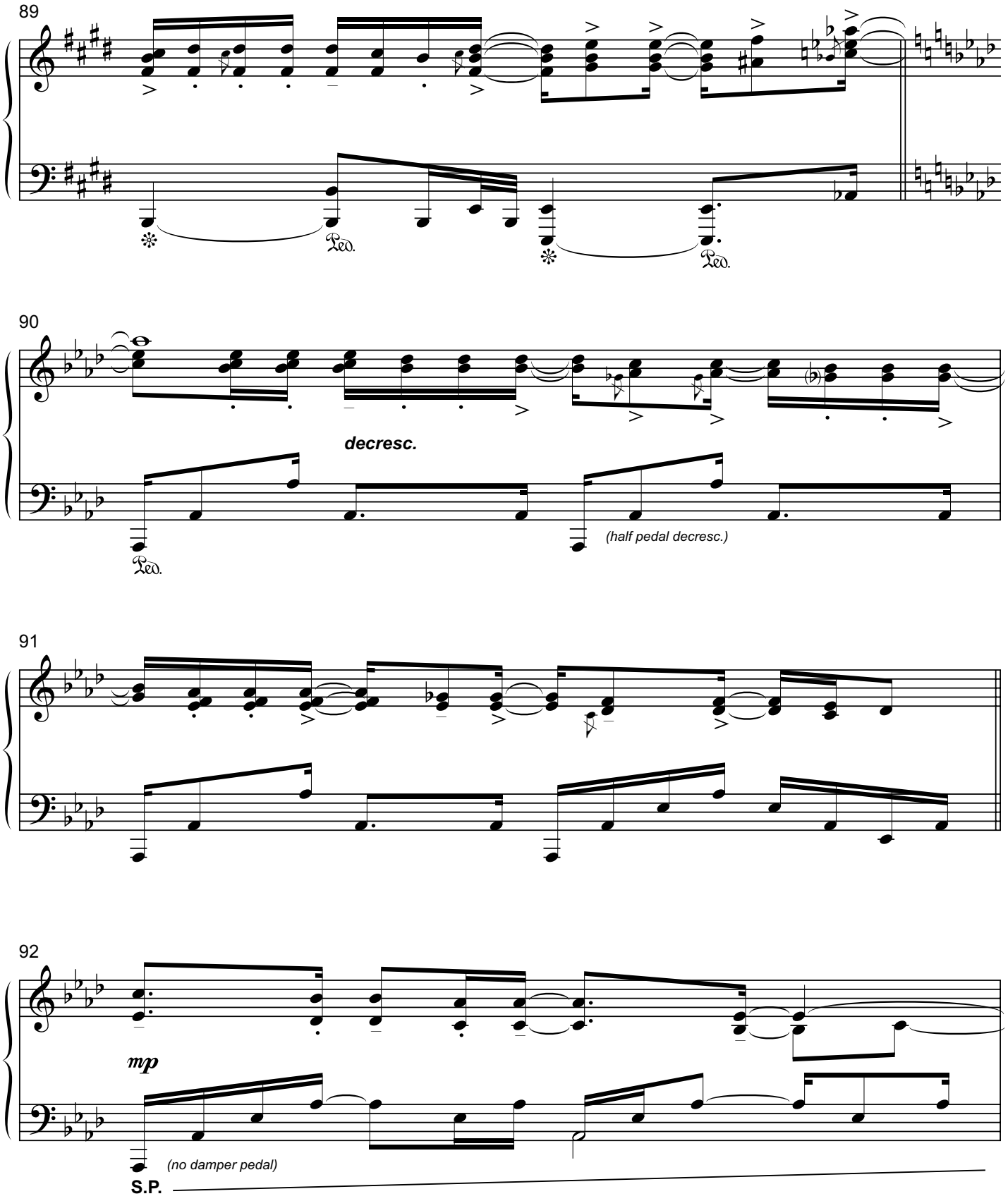

69
70
71
72

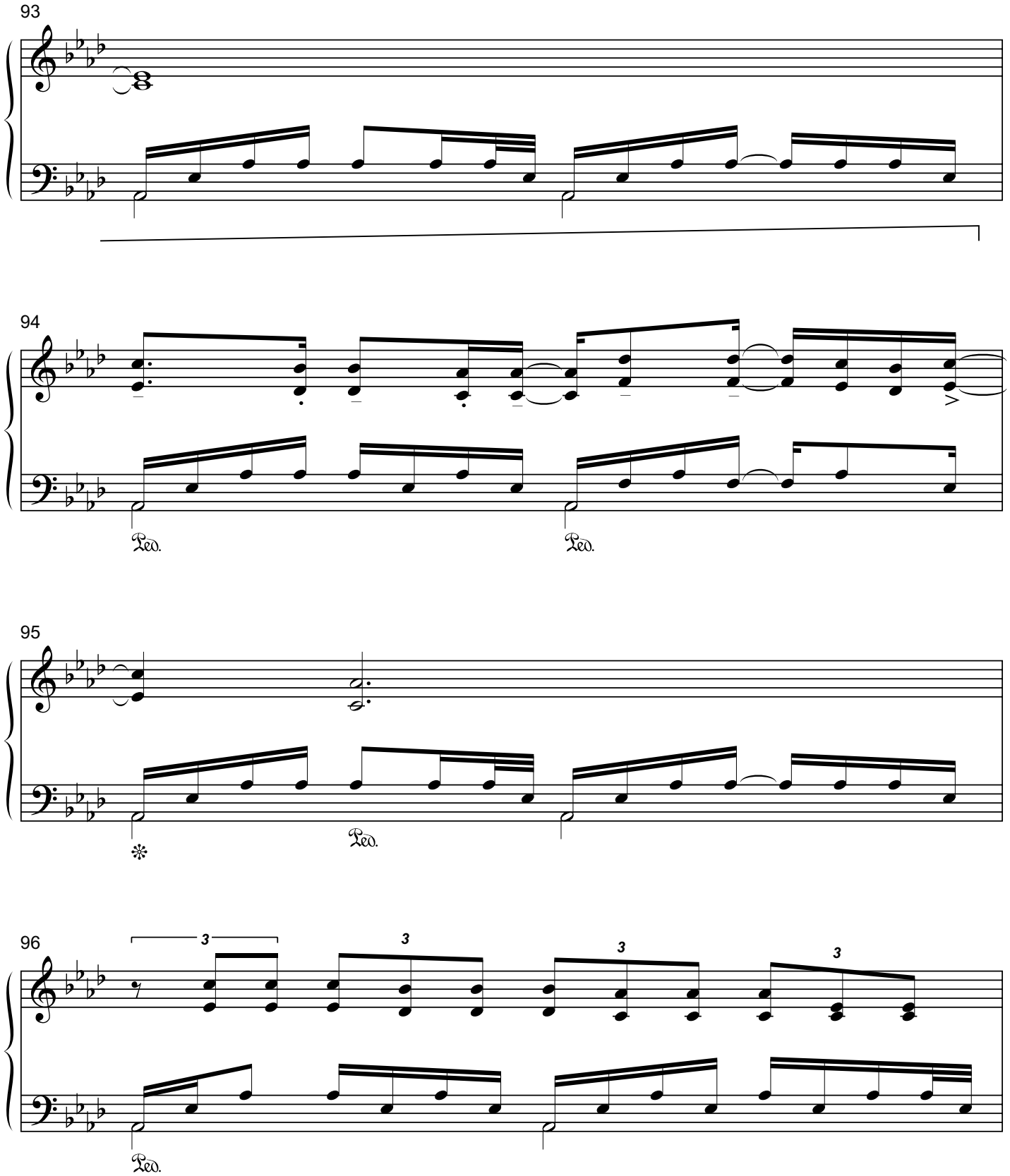

73
74
75
mf
76

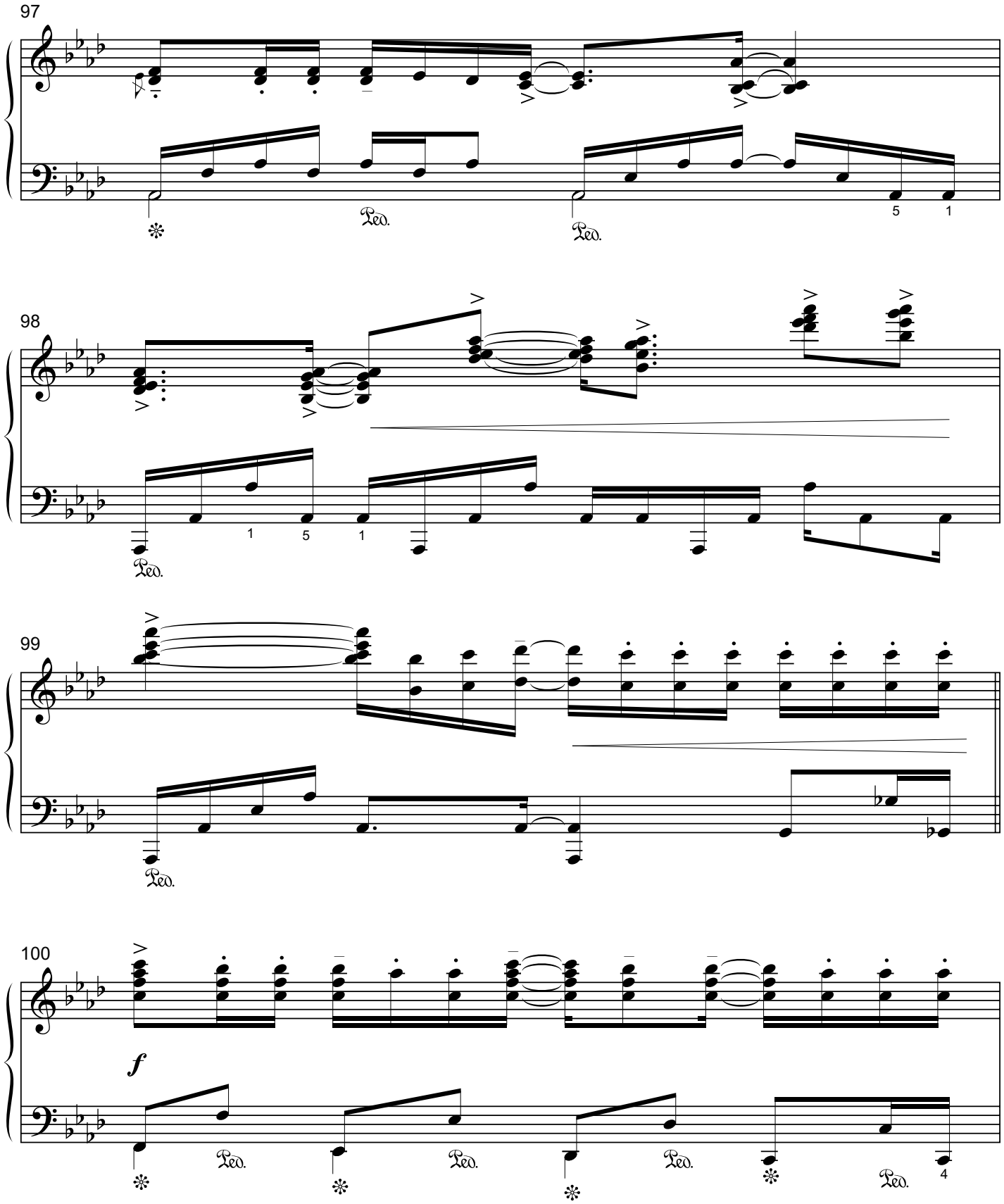

77
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
78
Ped.
79
5
2
1
4
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
80
Ped.
4

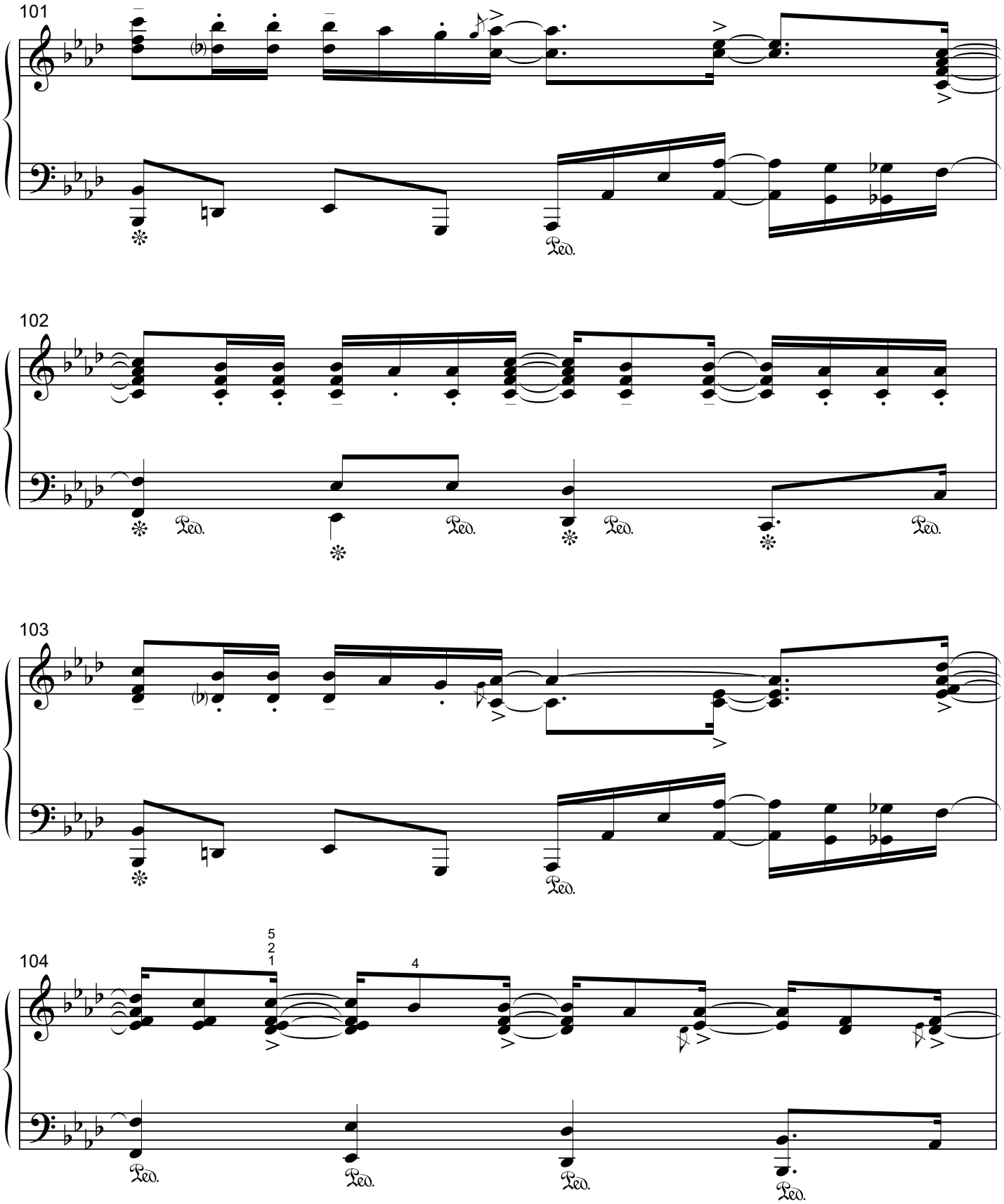

81
82
83
mf
84

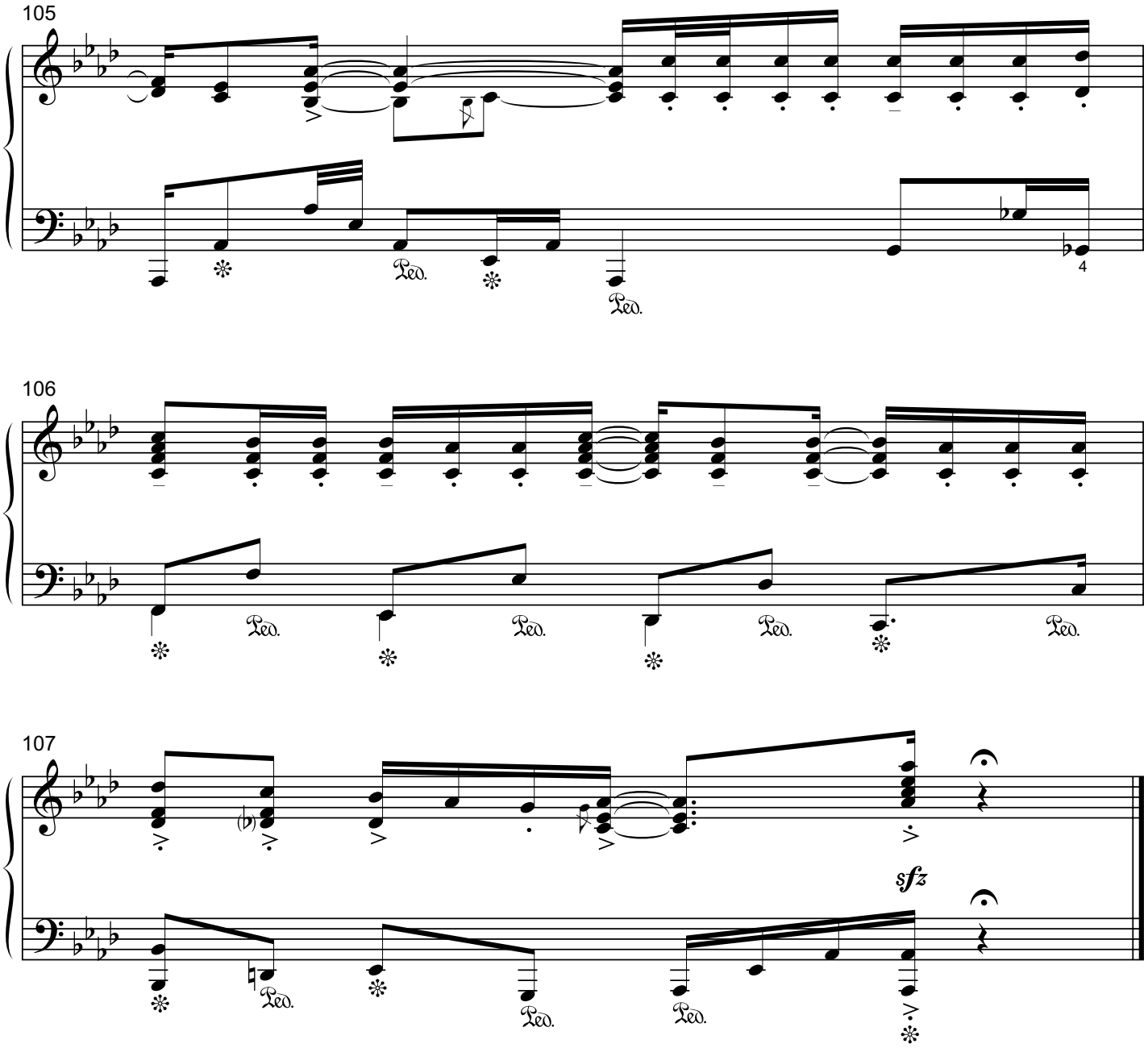

85
86
6
(half pedal)
87
88


89
90
decresc.
(half pedal decresc.)
91
92
mp
(no damper pedal)
S.P.


93
94
Ped.
Ped.
95
Ped.
96
3
3
3
3
Ped.


97
98
99
100
f


101
102
103
104
5
2
1
4
Ped.


105
4
106
107
sfz

SOMETHING ABOUT THE MOON

from the recording, "Something About the Moon"

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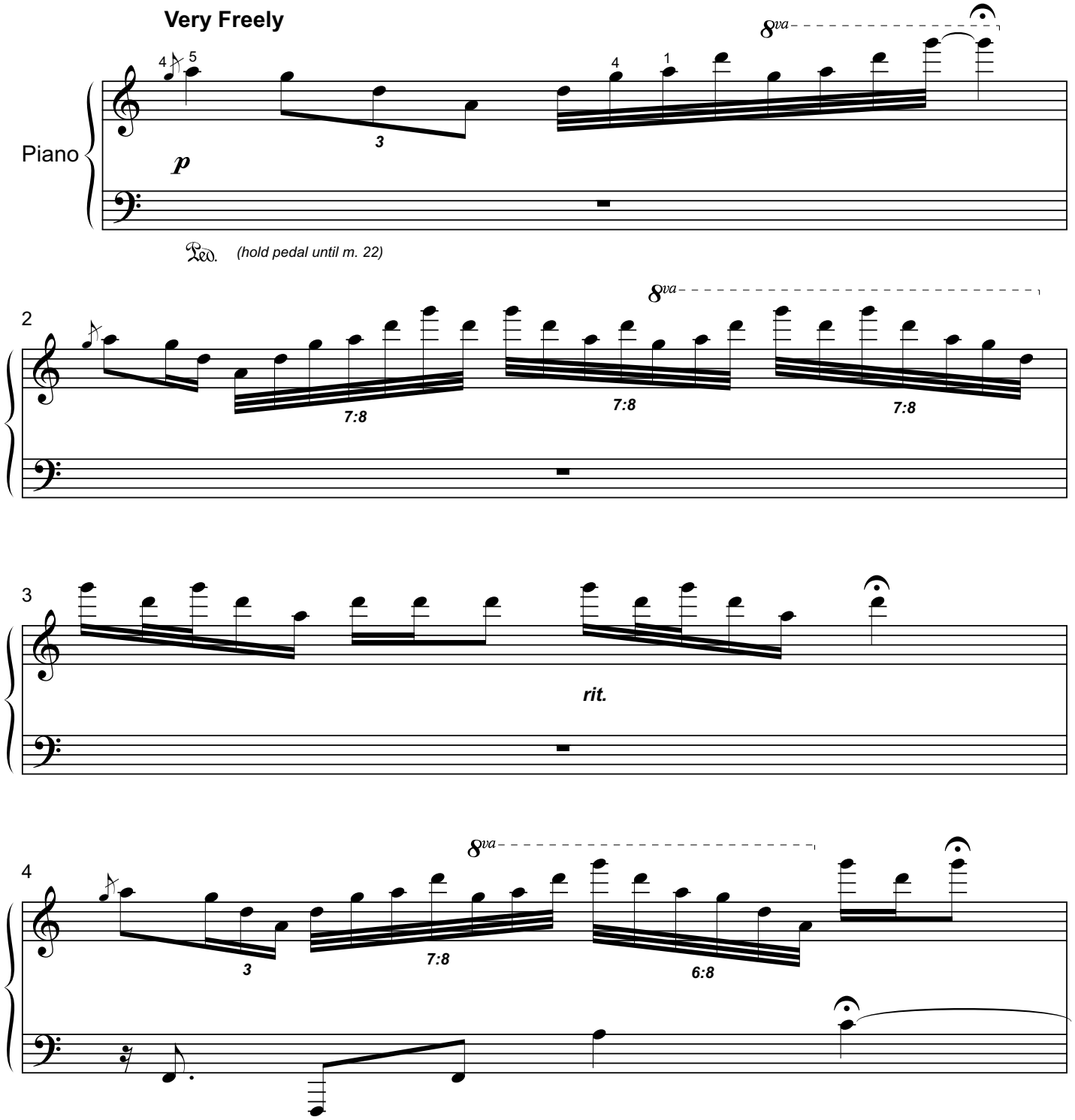

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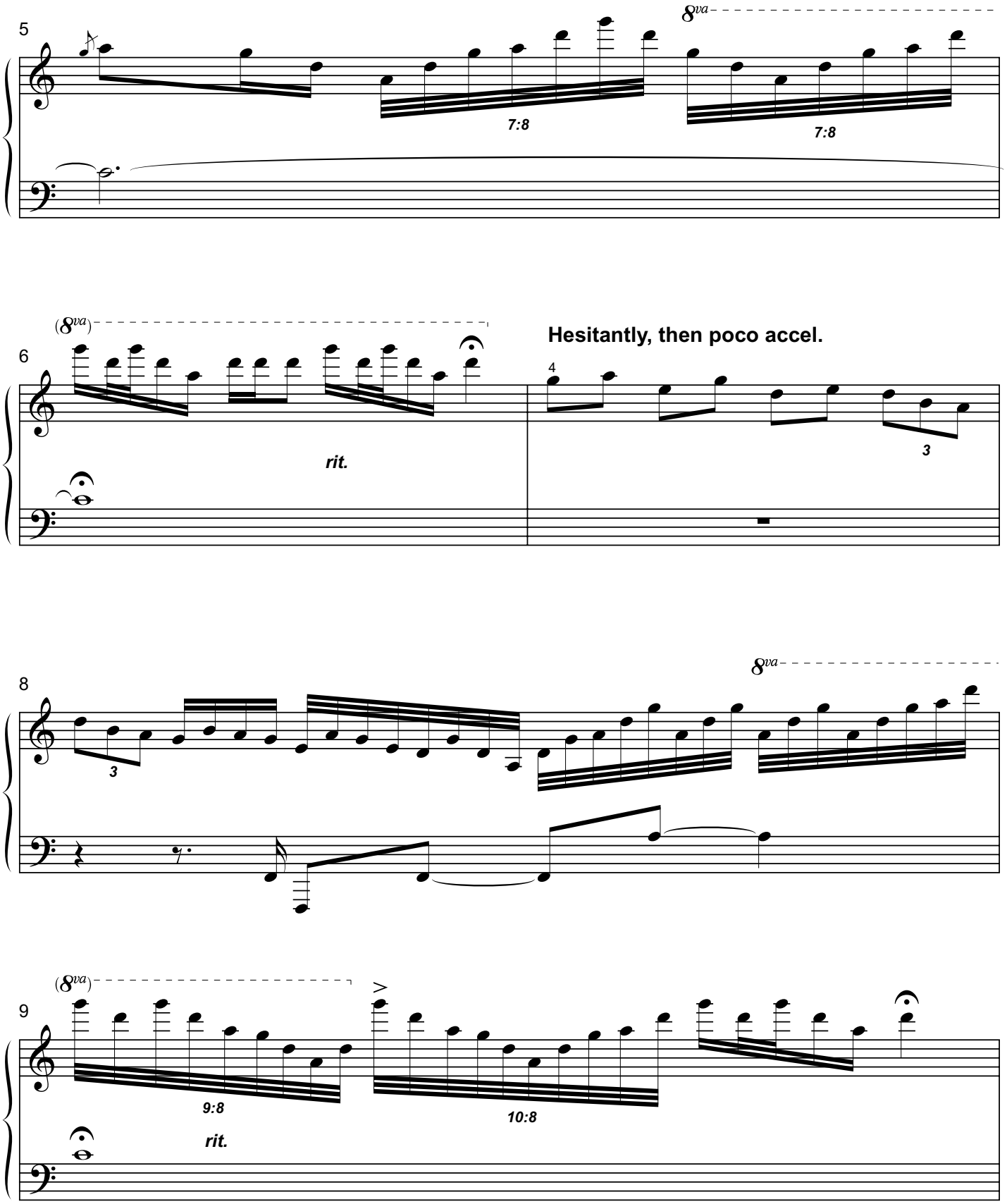
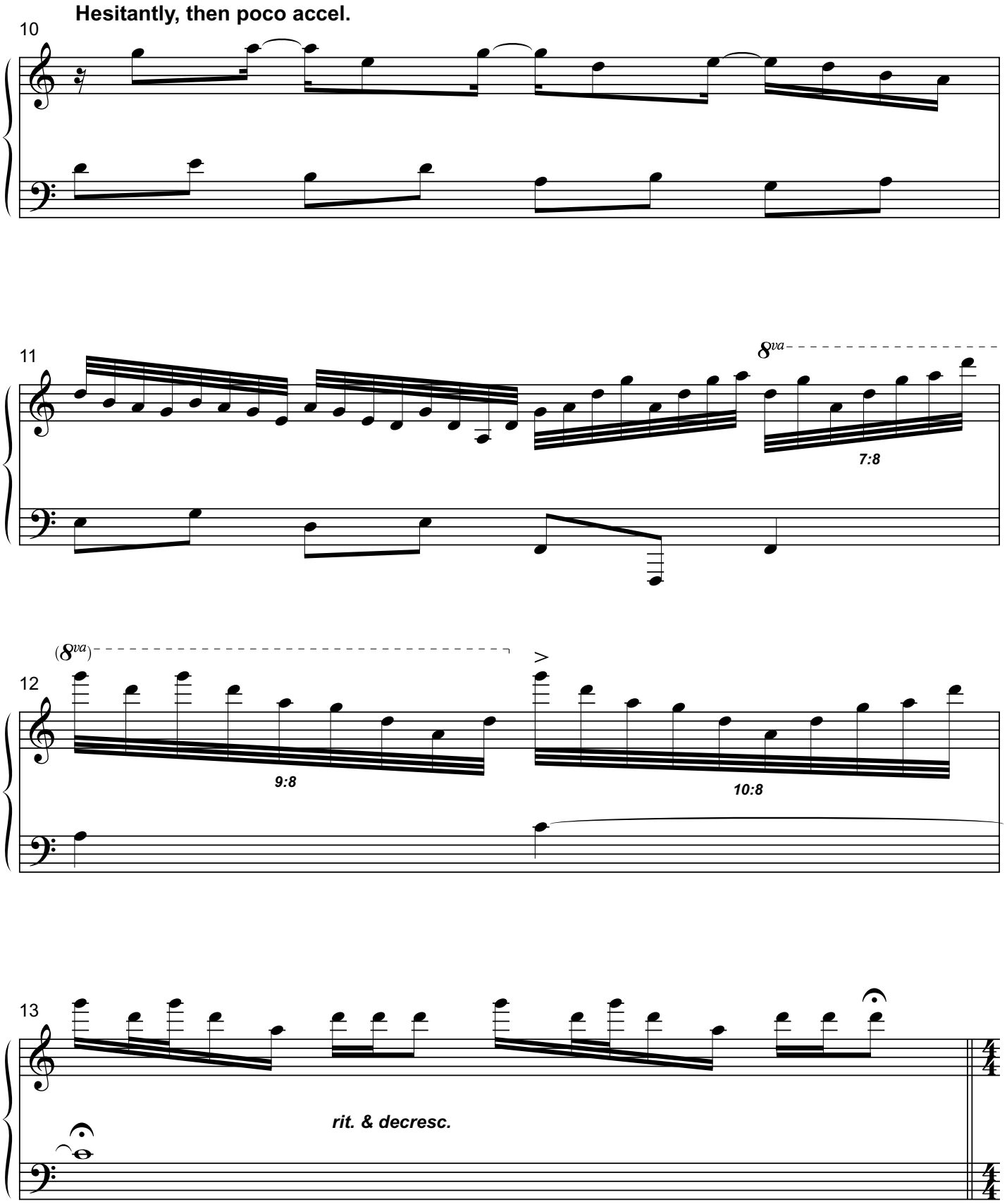
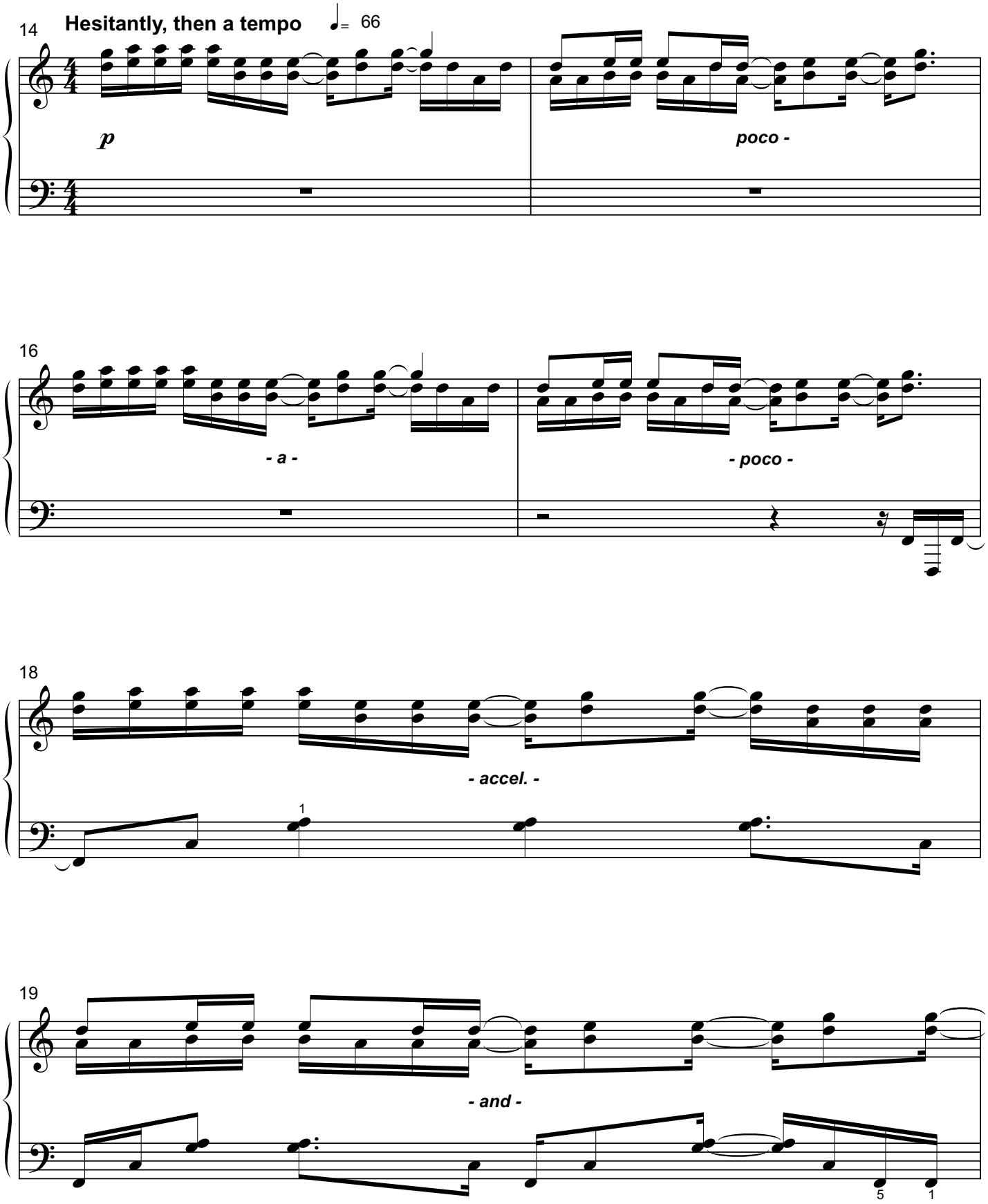
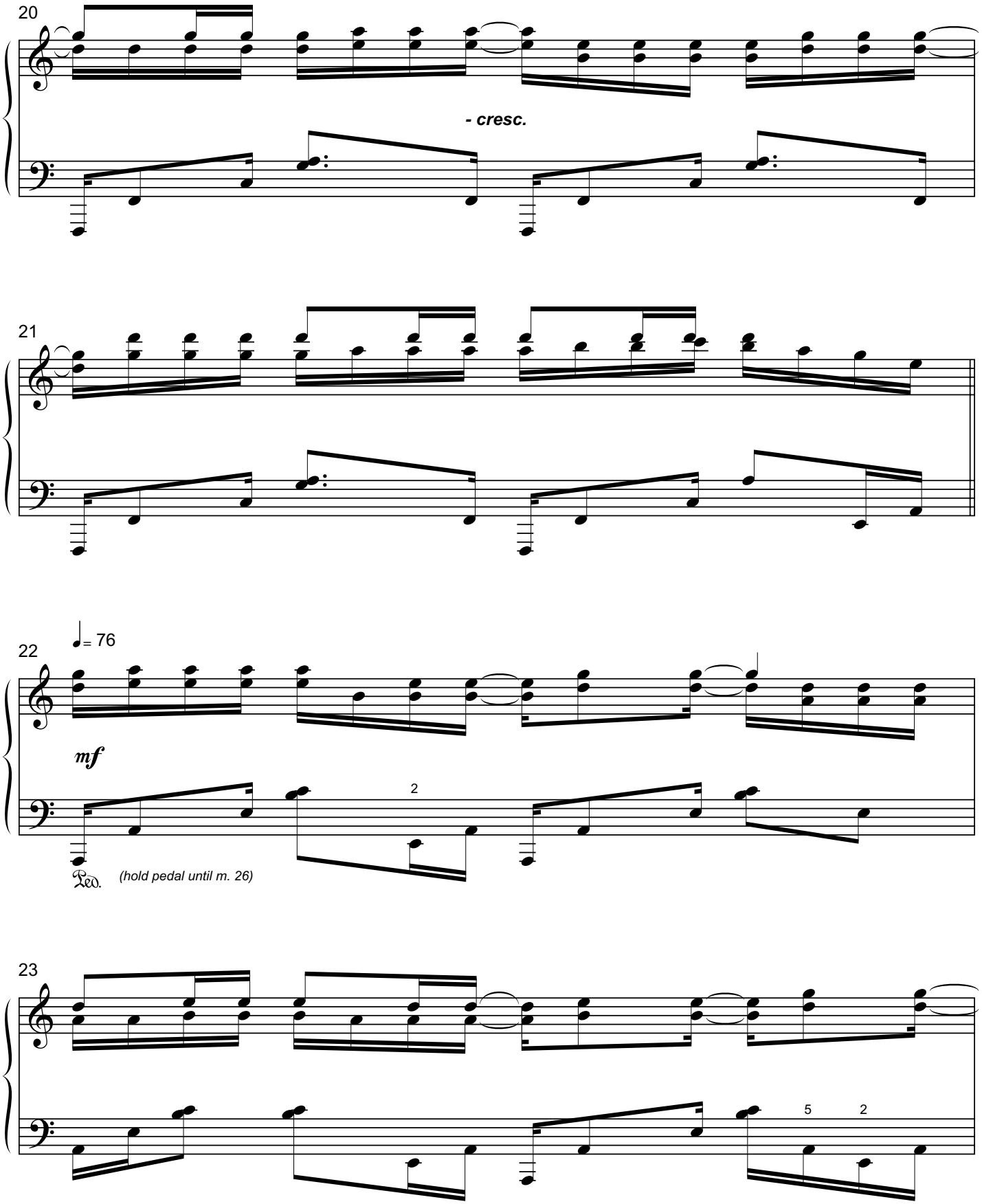
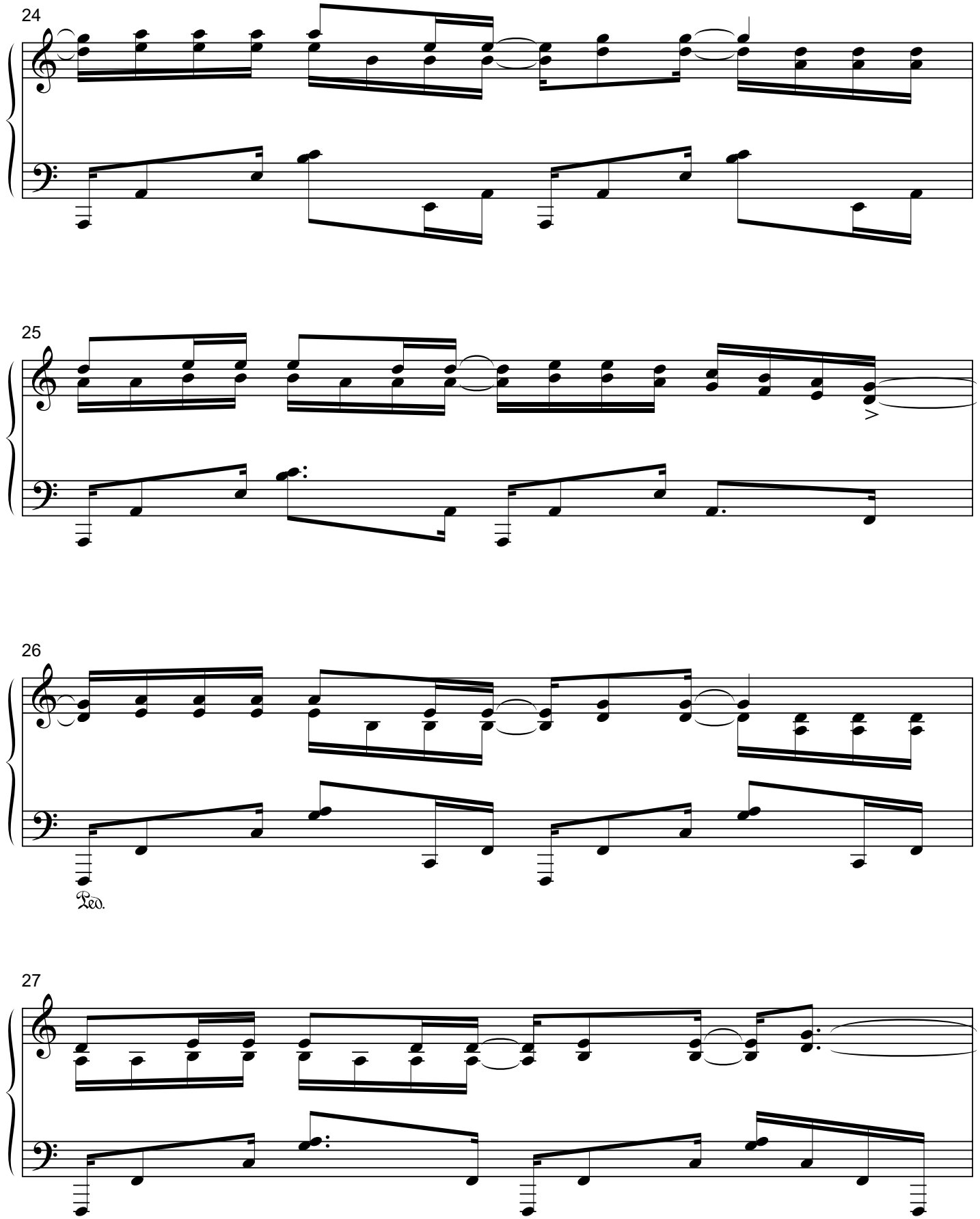
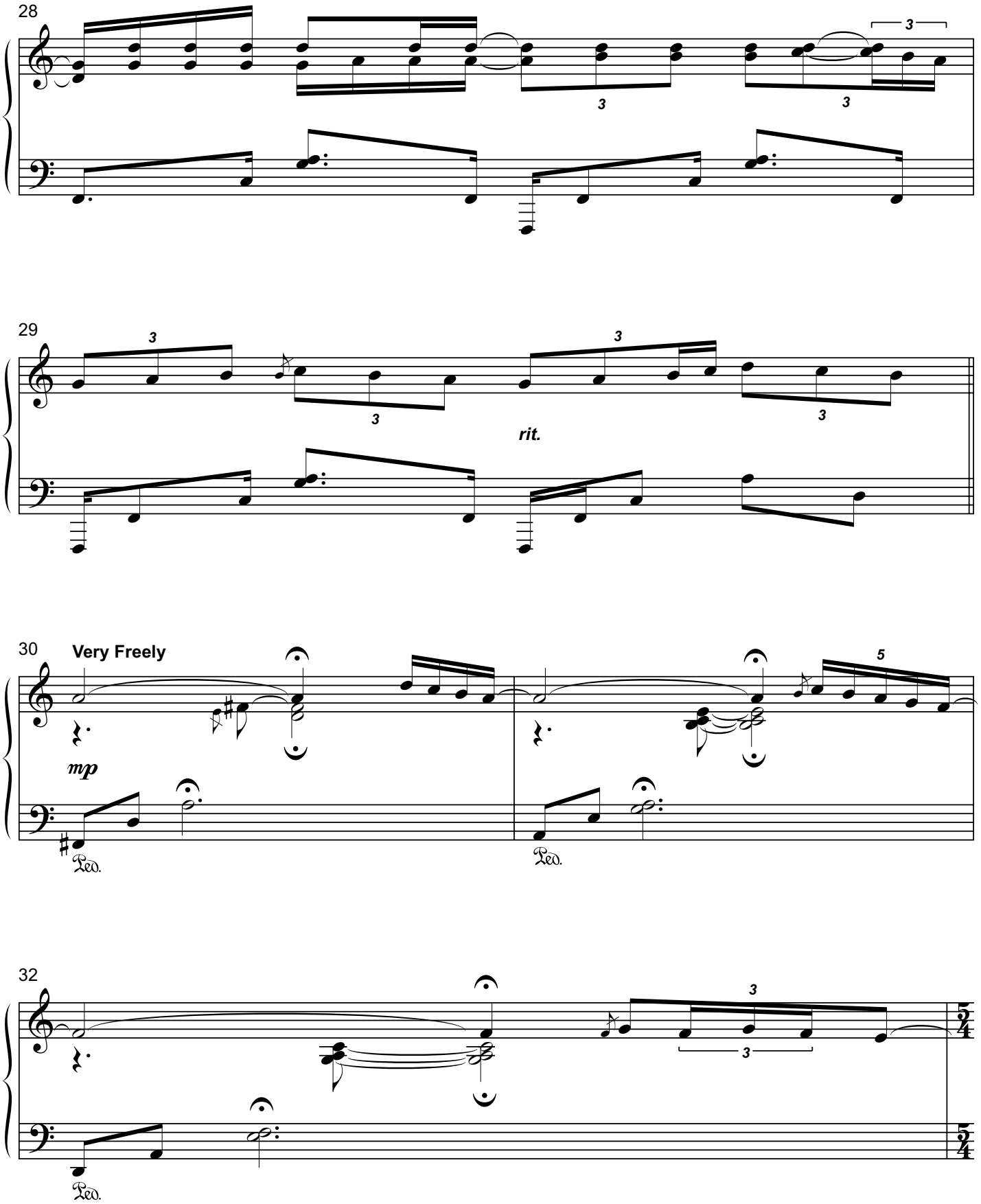

5
8va
7:8
7:8
6
(8va)
rit.
Hesitantly, then poco accel.
4
3
8
8va
3
9
(8va)
9:8
10:8
rit.

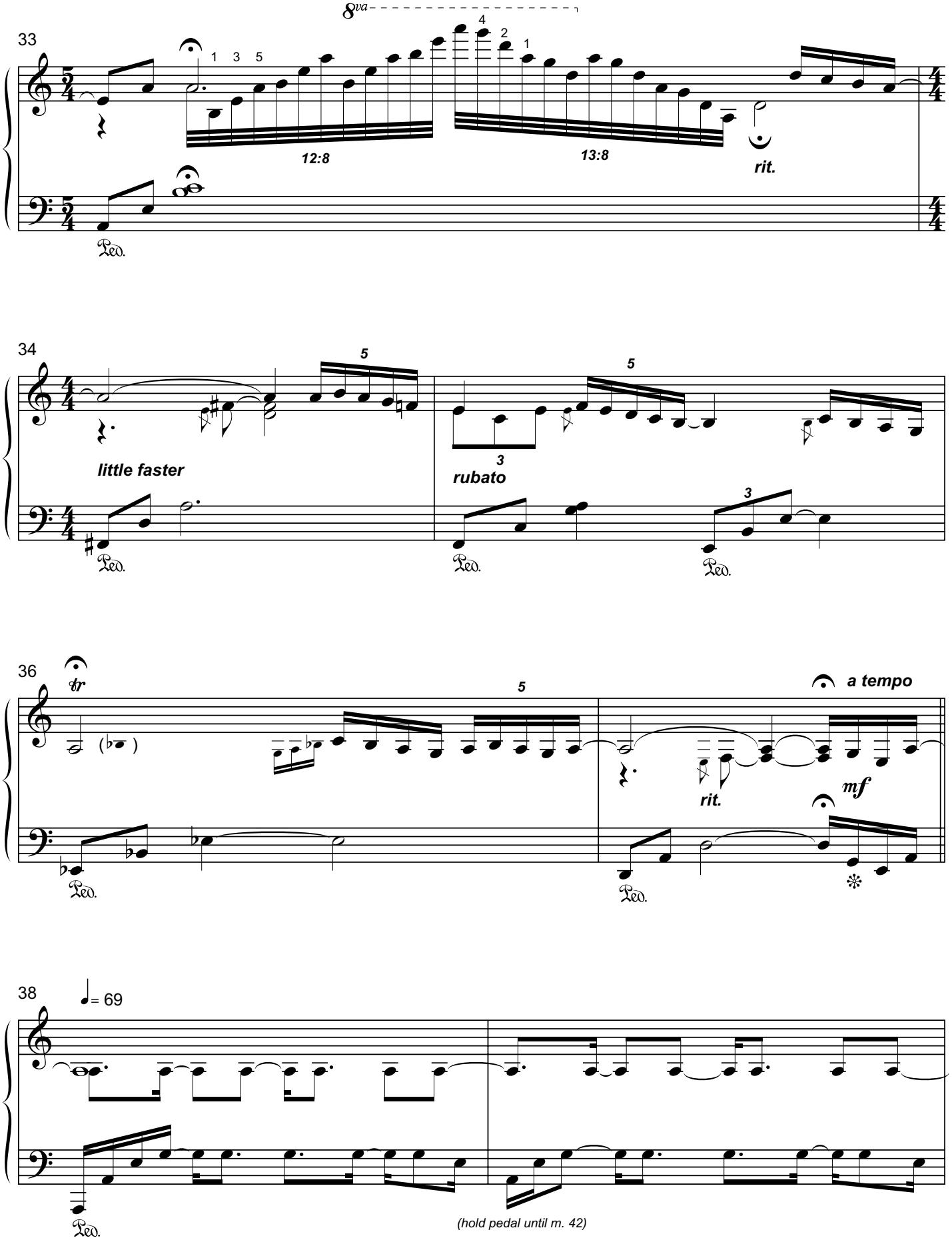

Hesitantly, then poco accel.
10
11
8va
7:8
(8va)
12
9:8
10:8
13
rit. & decresc.

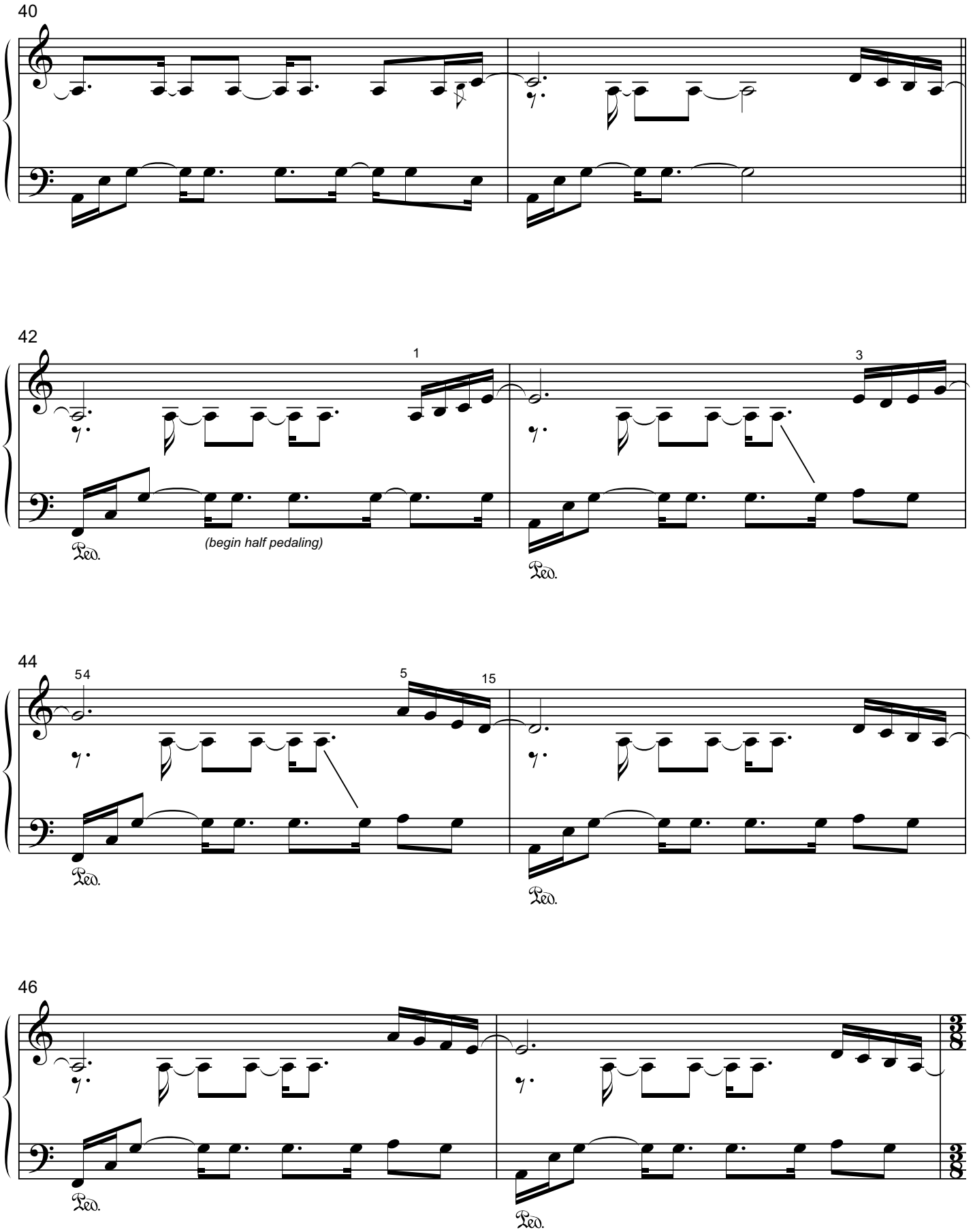

14
Hesitantly, then a tempo
♩= 66
p
poco -
16
- a -
- poco -
18
- accel. -
1
19
- and -
5
1

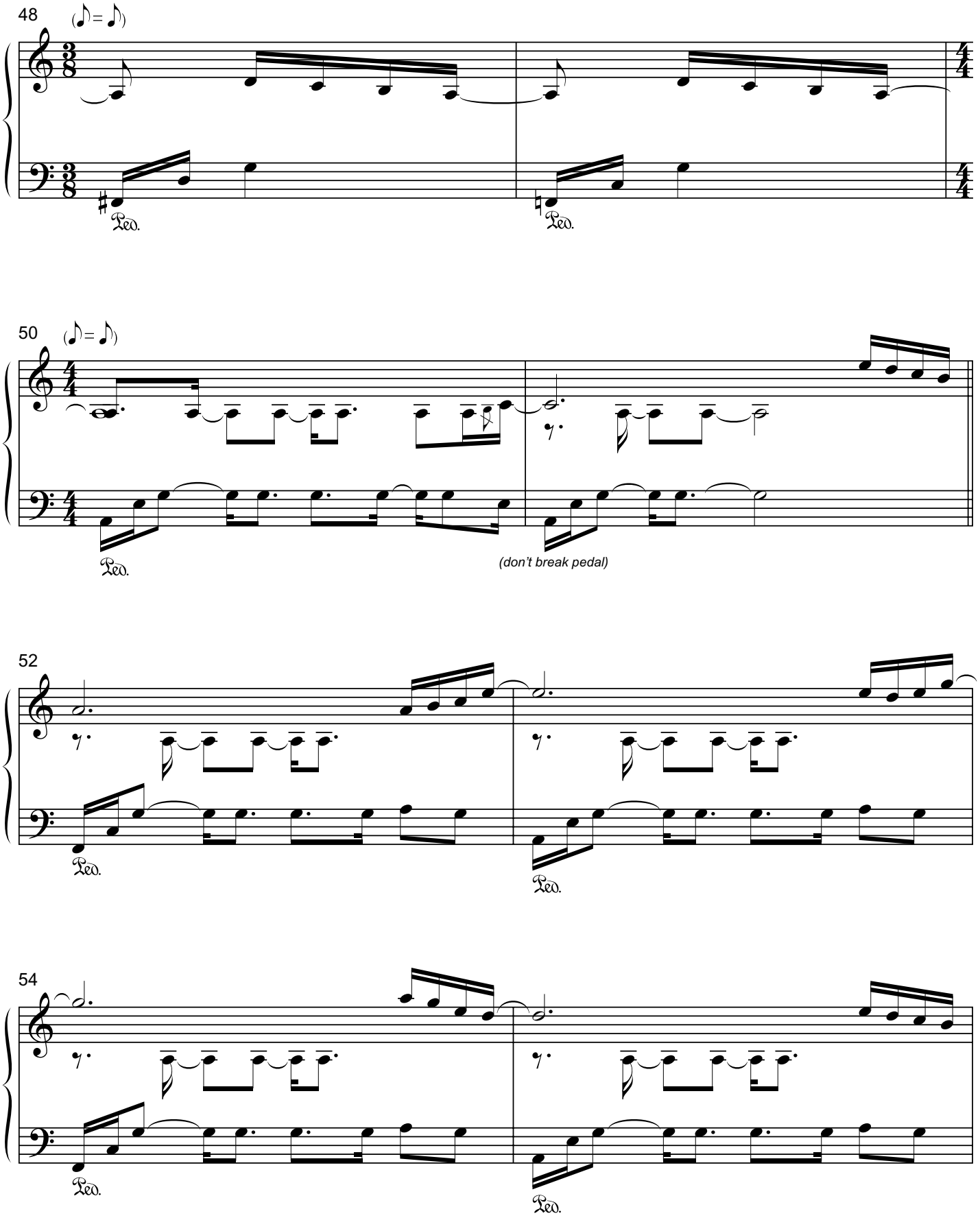

20
- cresc.
21
22
♩= 76
mf
2
Ped.
(hold pedal until m. 26)
23
5
2

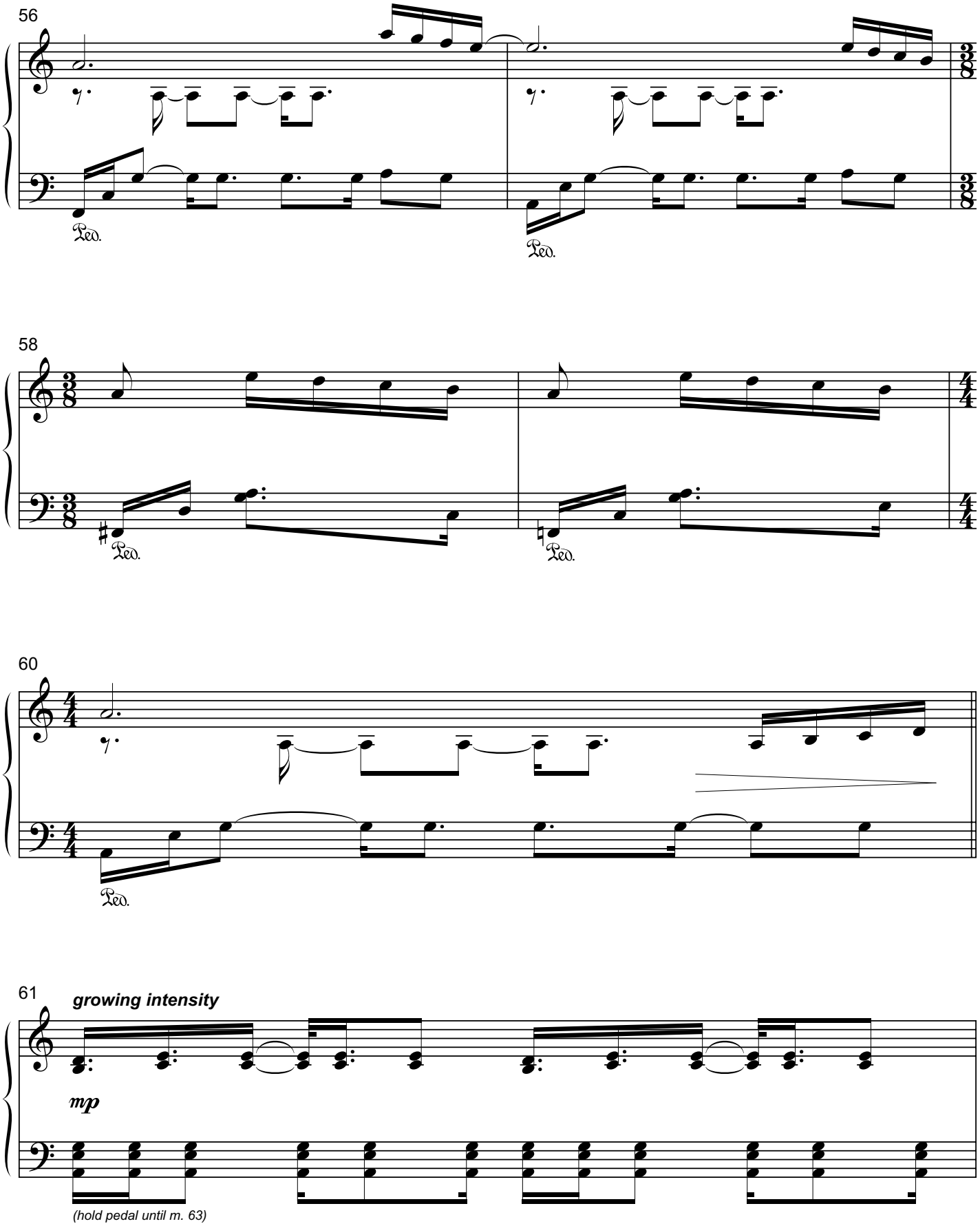

24
25
26
Ped.
27

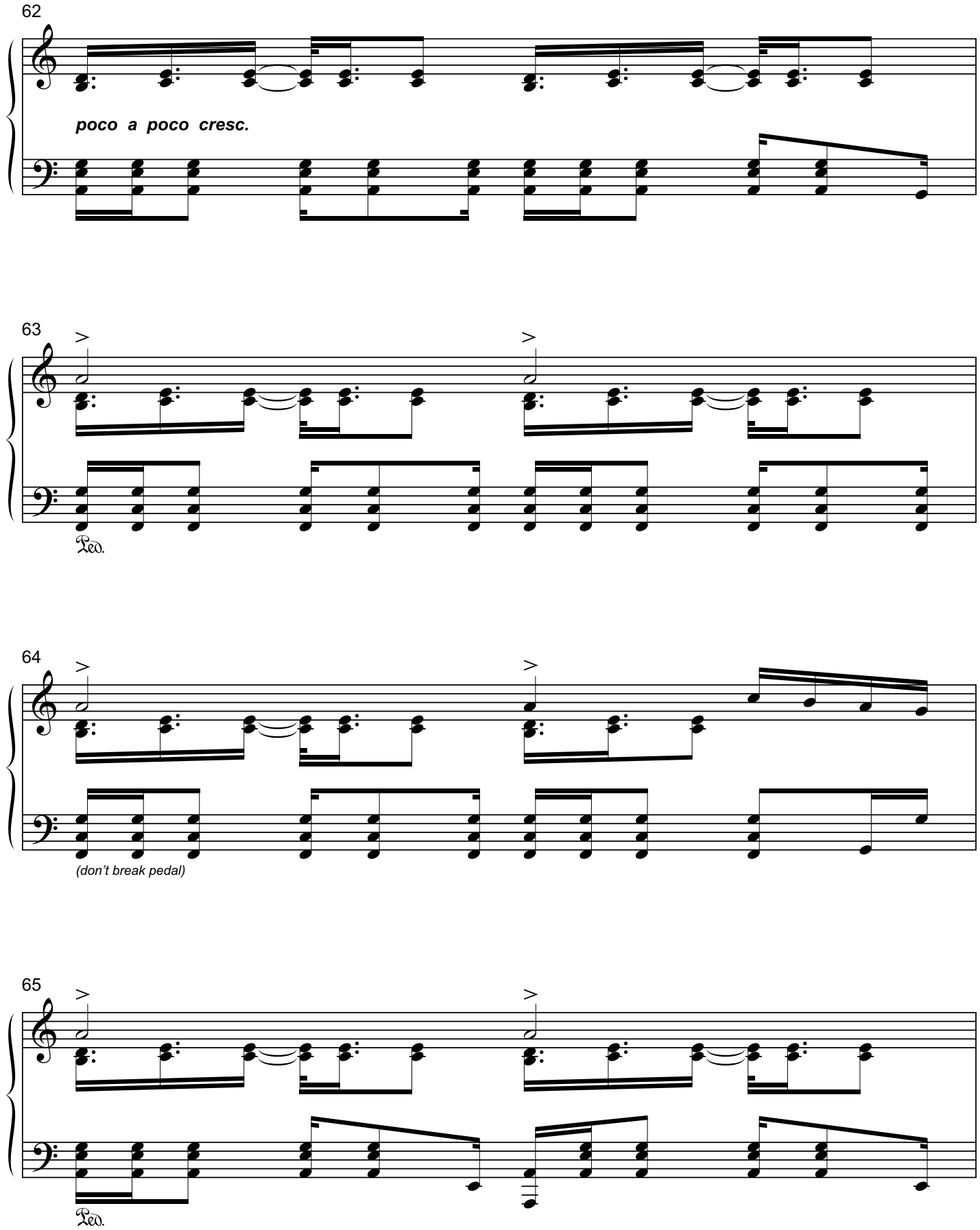

28
29
rit.
30
Very Freely
mp
Ped.
32

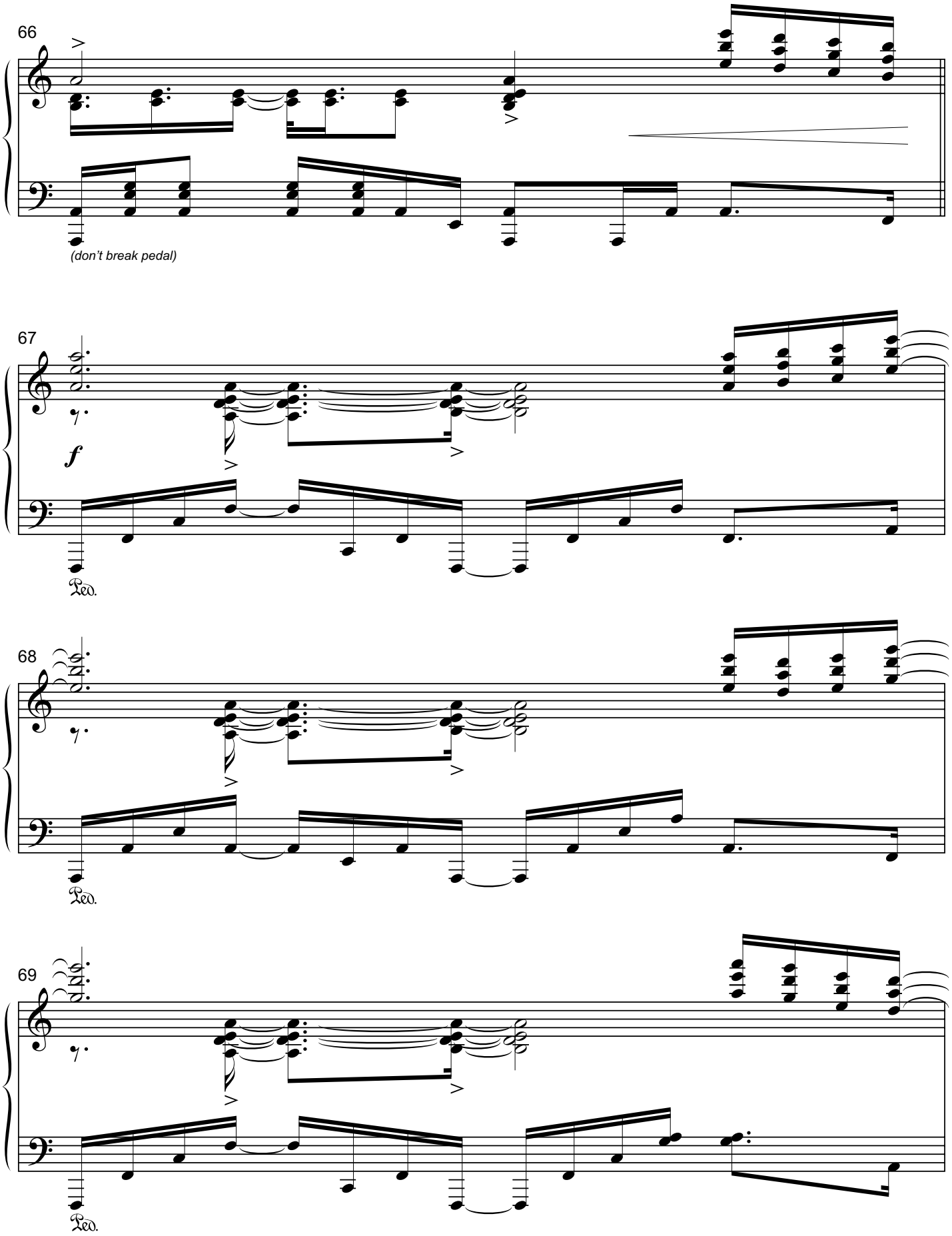

33
8va
12:8
13:8
rit.
34
little faster
rubato
36
tr
a tempo
rit.
mf
38
= 69
(hold pedal until m. 42)

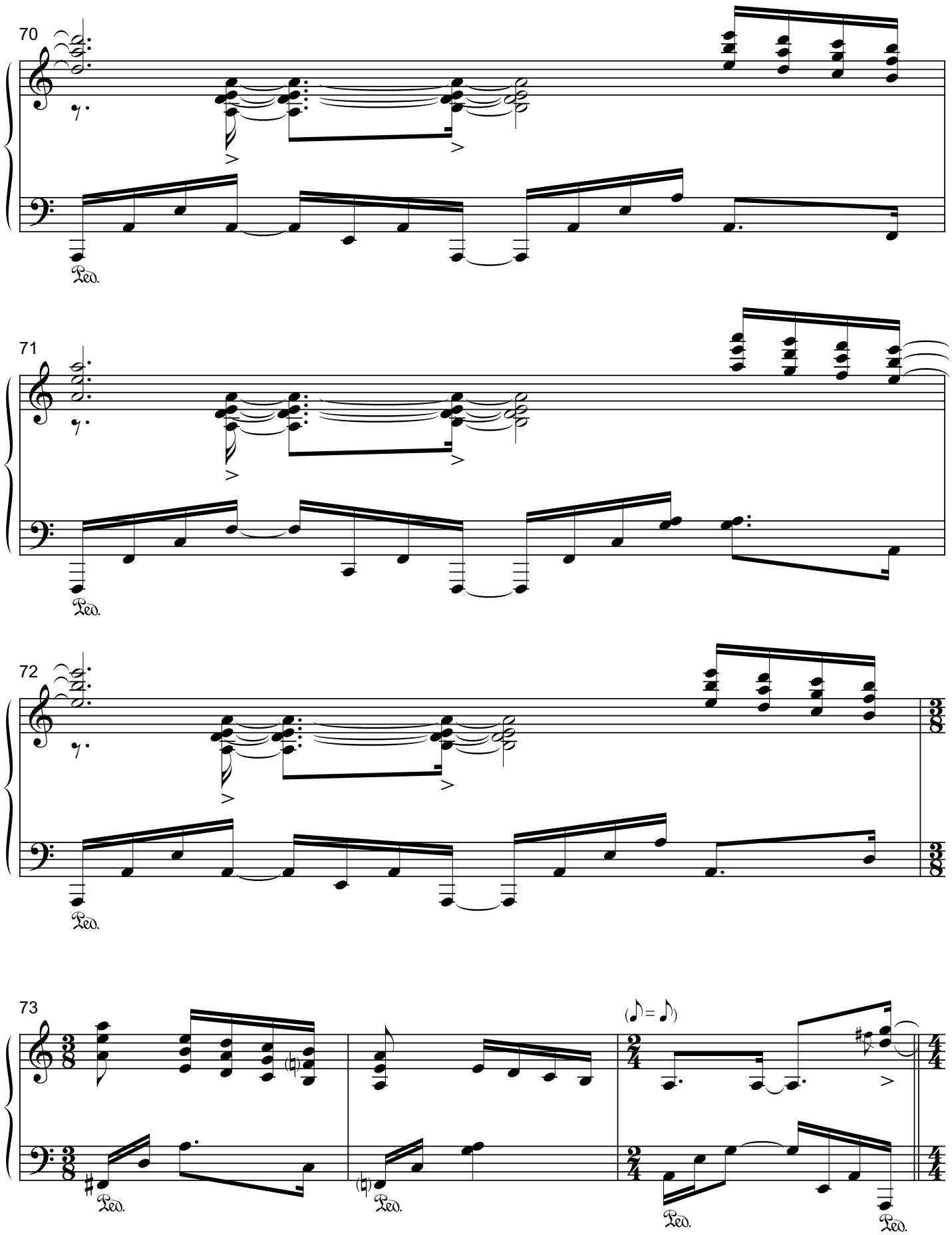

40
42
1
3
(begin half pedaling)
Ped.
Ped.
44
54
5
15
Ped.
Ped.
46
Ped.
Ped.


48
(♪ = ♪)
Ped.
Ped.
50
(♪ = ♪)
Ped.
(don't break pedal)
52
Ped.
Ped.
54
Ped.
Ped.


56
Ped.
Ped.
58
Ped.
Ped.
60
Ped.
61
growing intensity
mp
(hold pedal until m. 63)


62
poco a poco cresc.
63
Ped.
64
(don’t break pedal)
65
Ped.


66
(don't break pedal)
67
f
Ped.
68
Ped.
69
Ped.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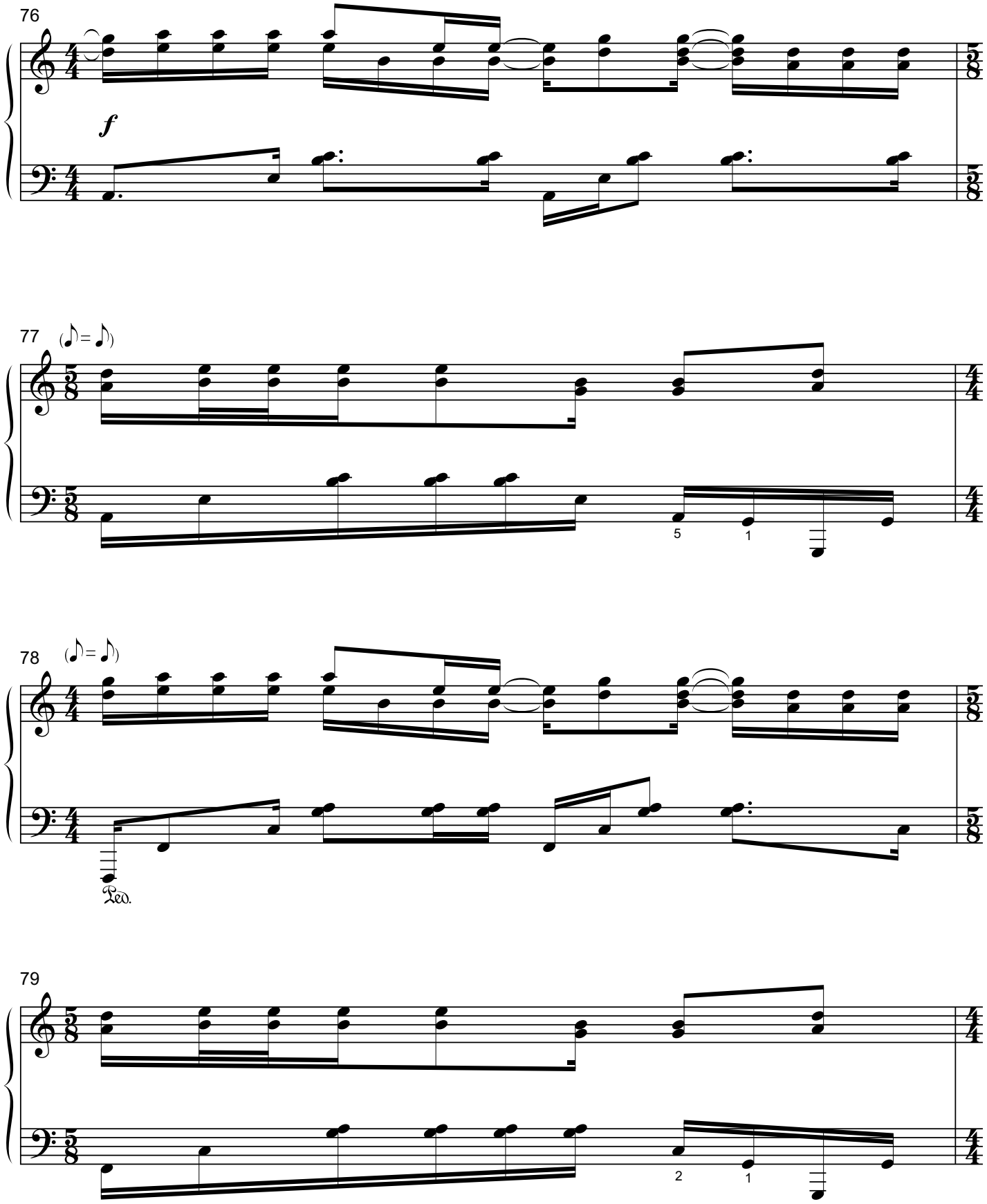
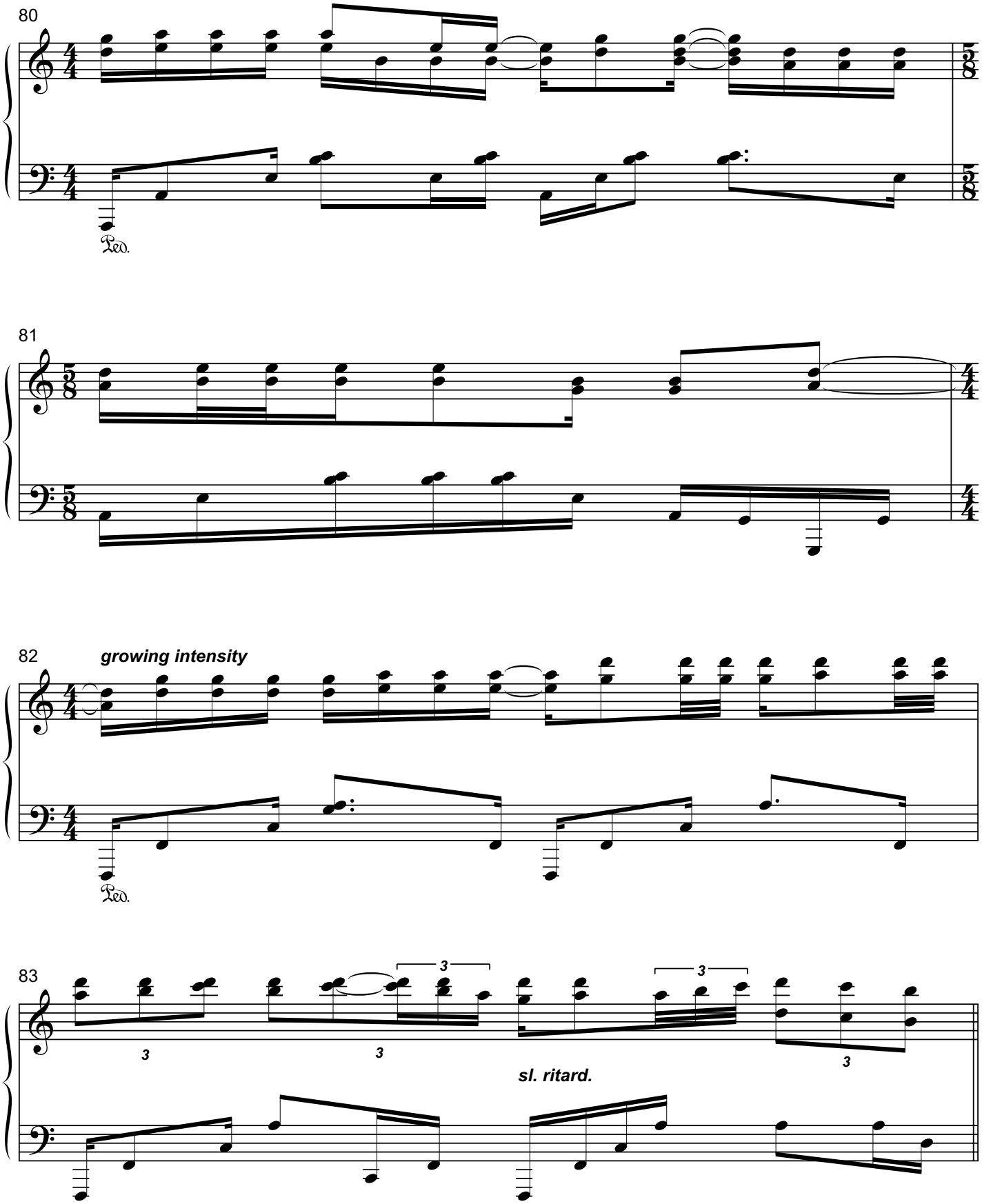
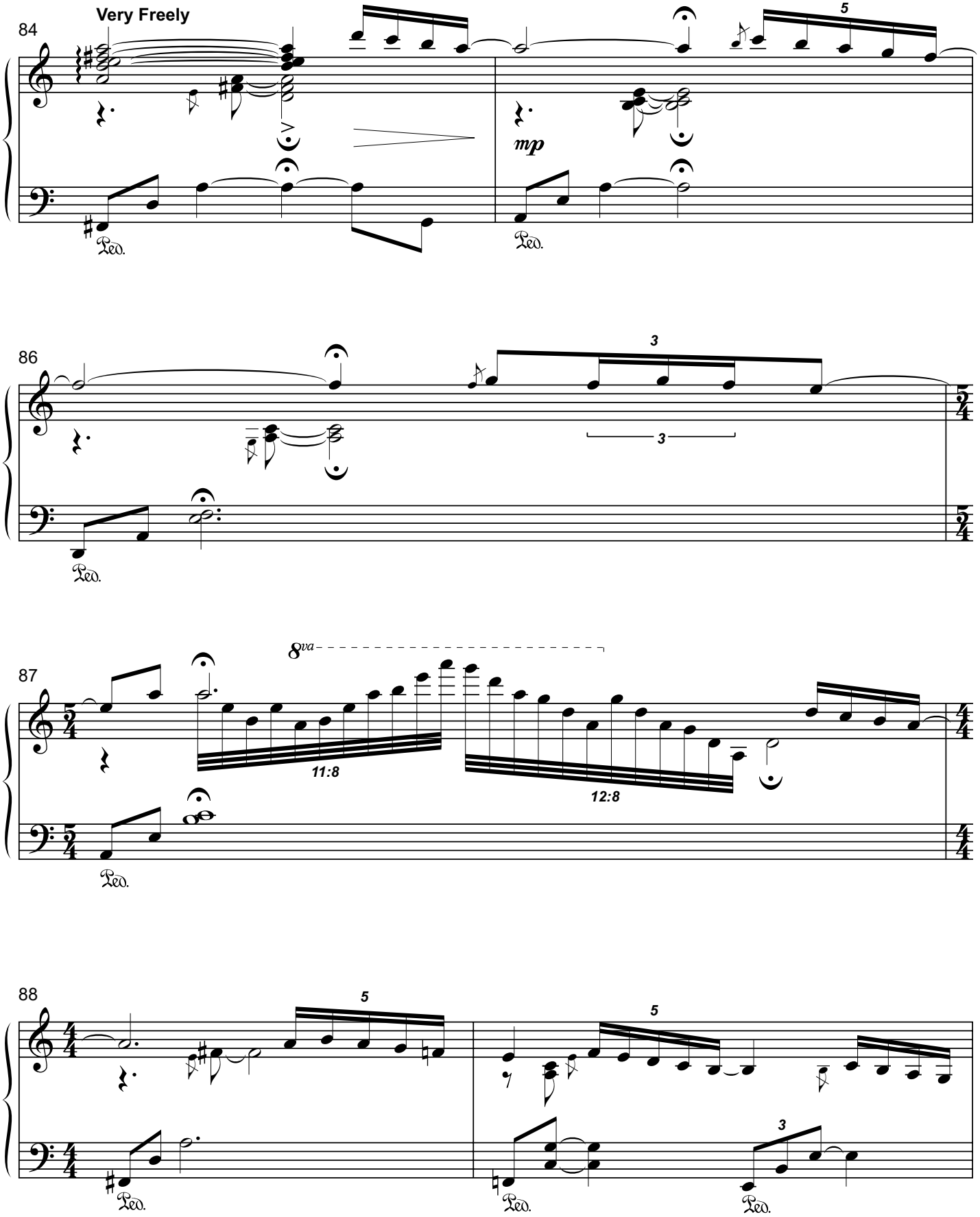
Ped.
71
Ped.
72
Ped.
73
Ped.
Ped.
(♪ = ♪)
Ped.
Ped.


76
f
77
(♪ = ♪)
5
1
78
(♪ = ♪)
Ped.
79
2
1


80
Ped.
81
82
growing intensity
Ped.
83
3
3
3
3
3
sl. ritard.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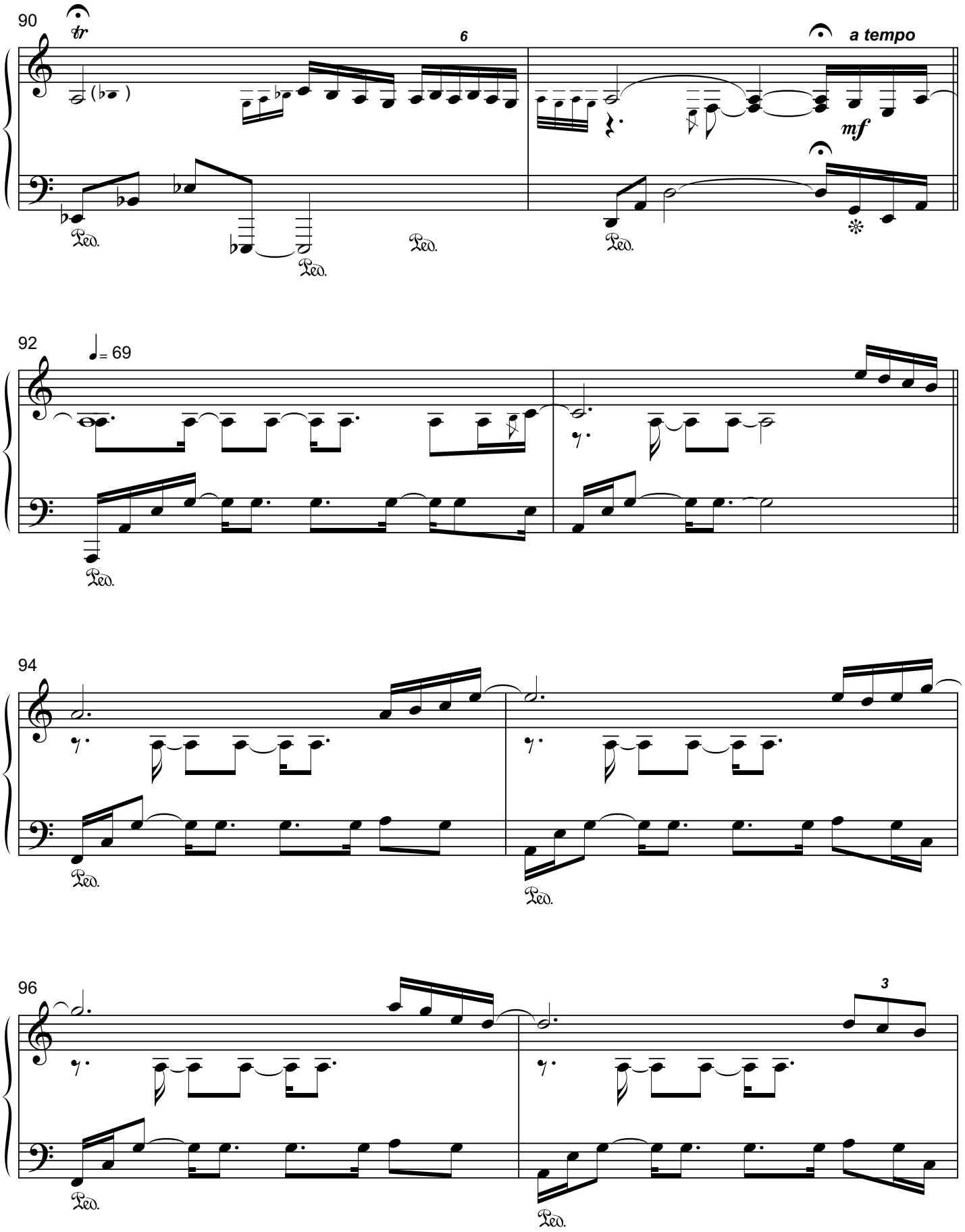
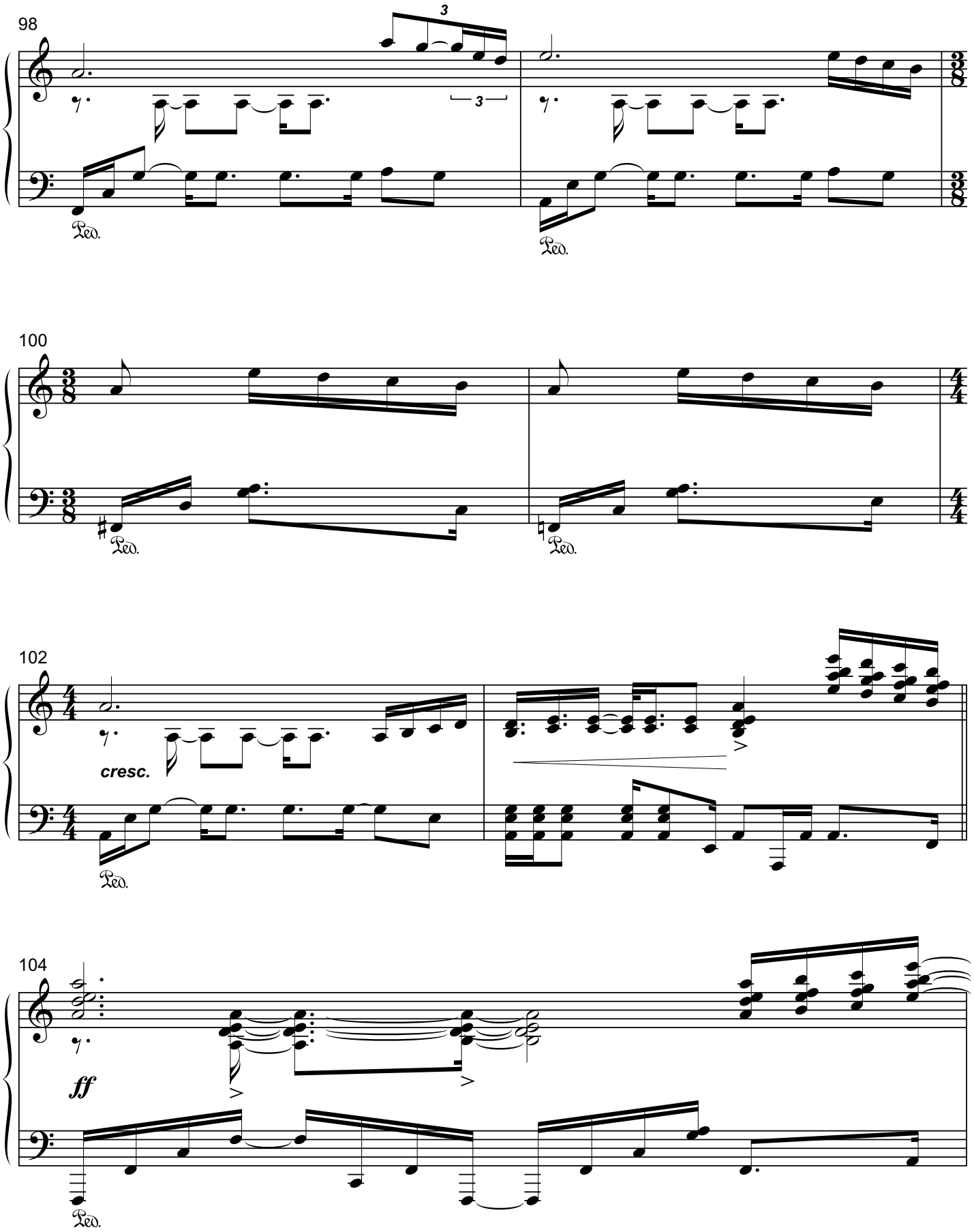
Very Freely
5
mp
Ped.
86
3
87
8va
11:8
12:8
88


90
tr
6
a tempo
mf
Ped.
92
= 69
94
96
3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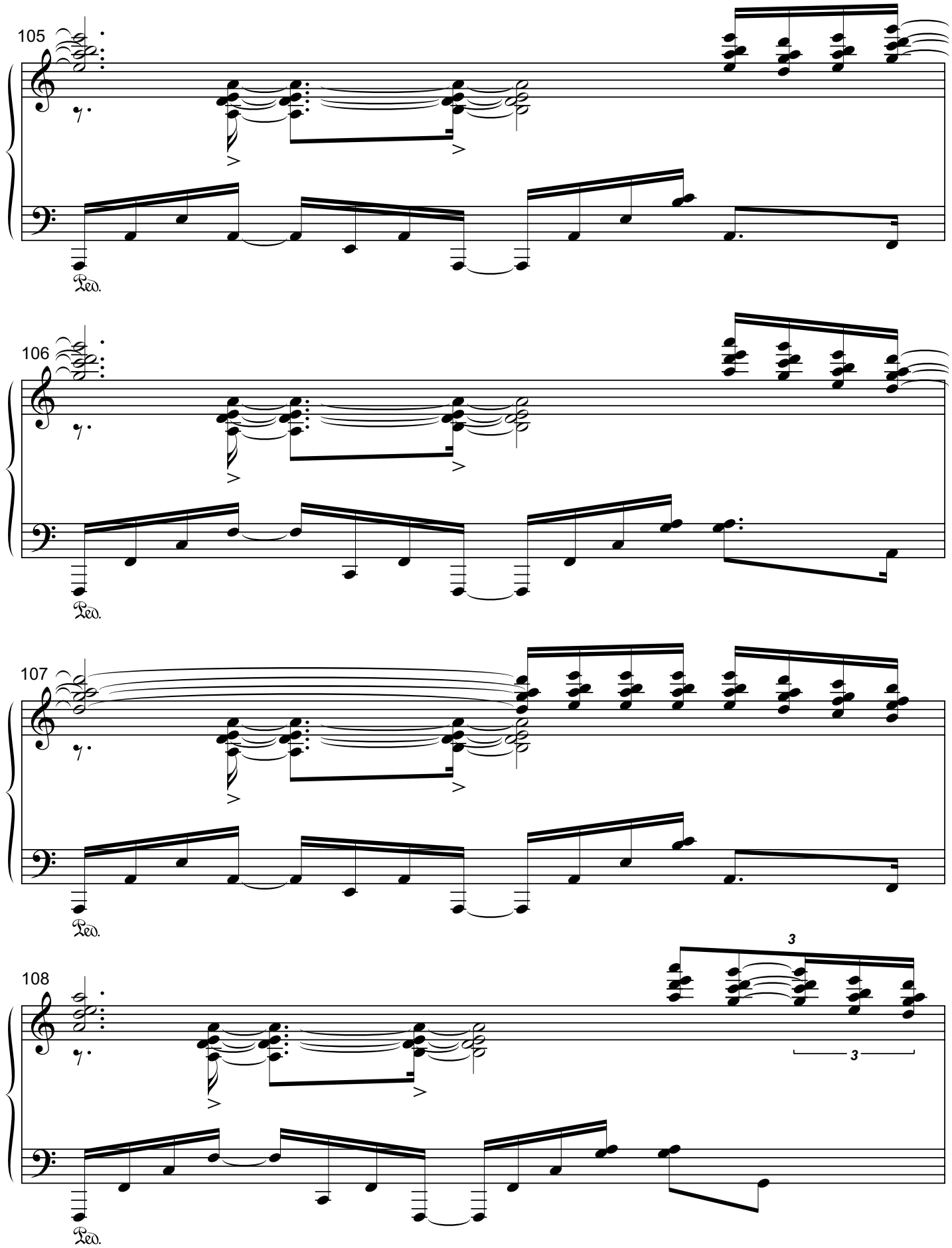
3
3
Ped.
Ped.
100
Ped.
Ped.
102
cresc.
Ped.
104
ff
Ped.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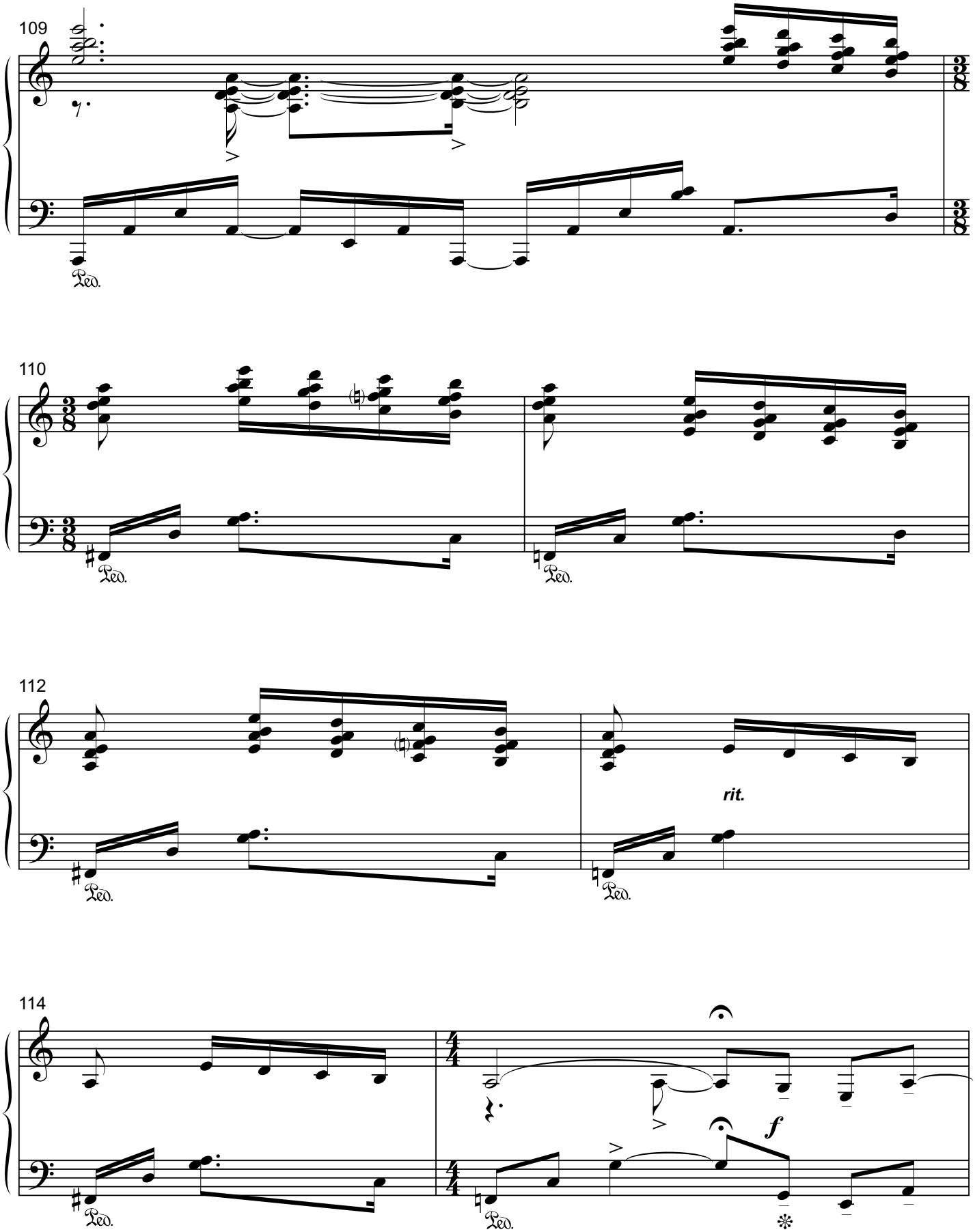
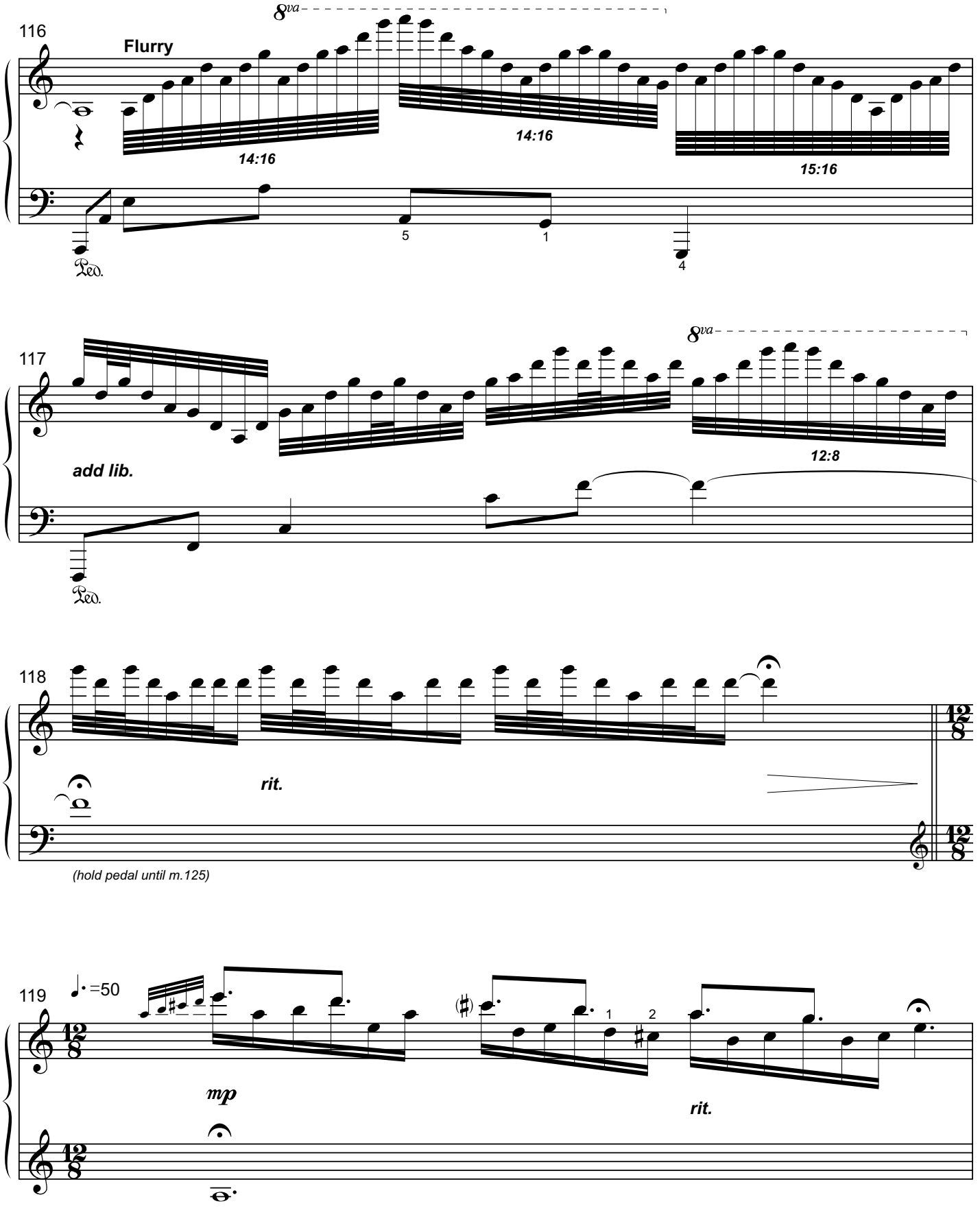
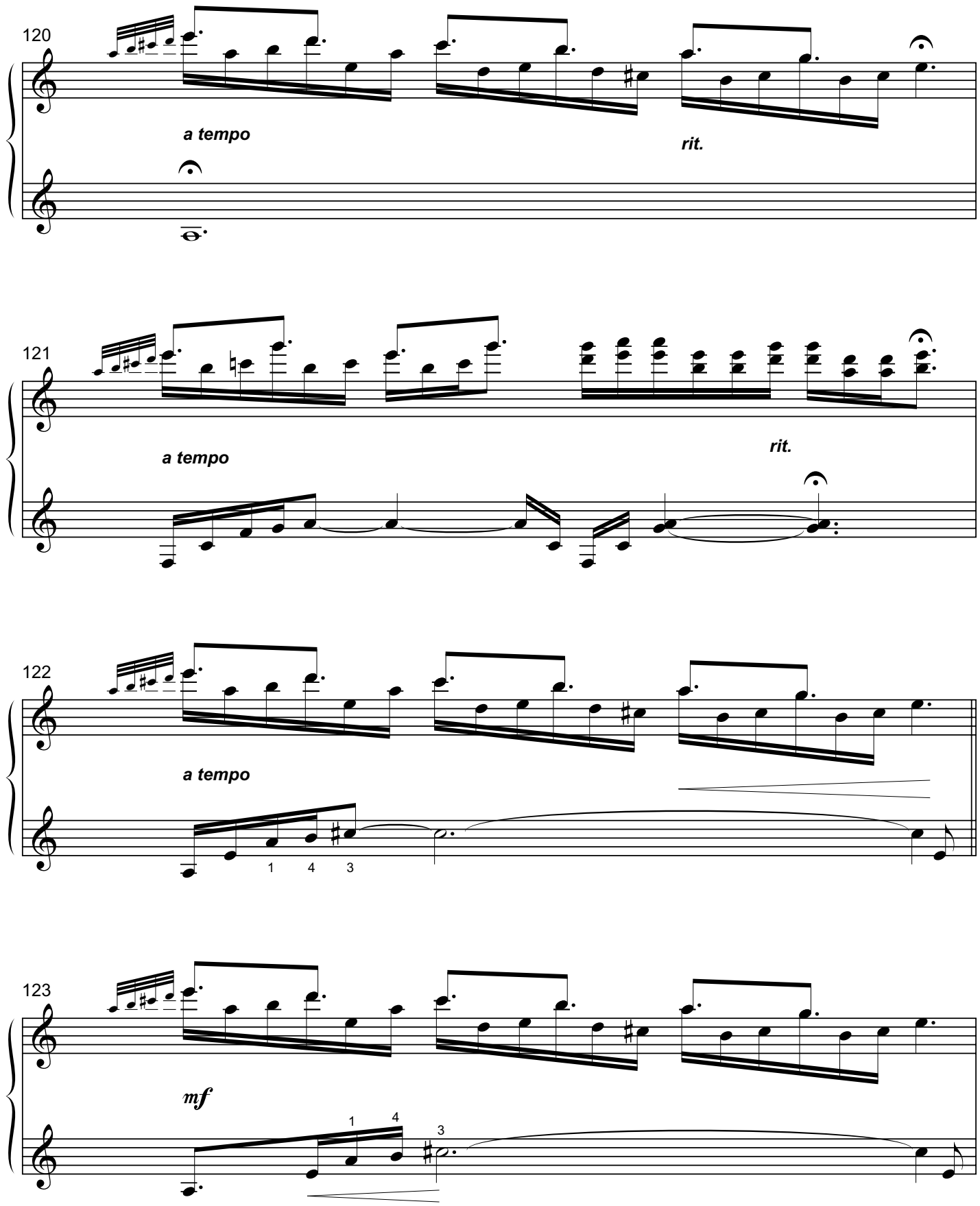
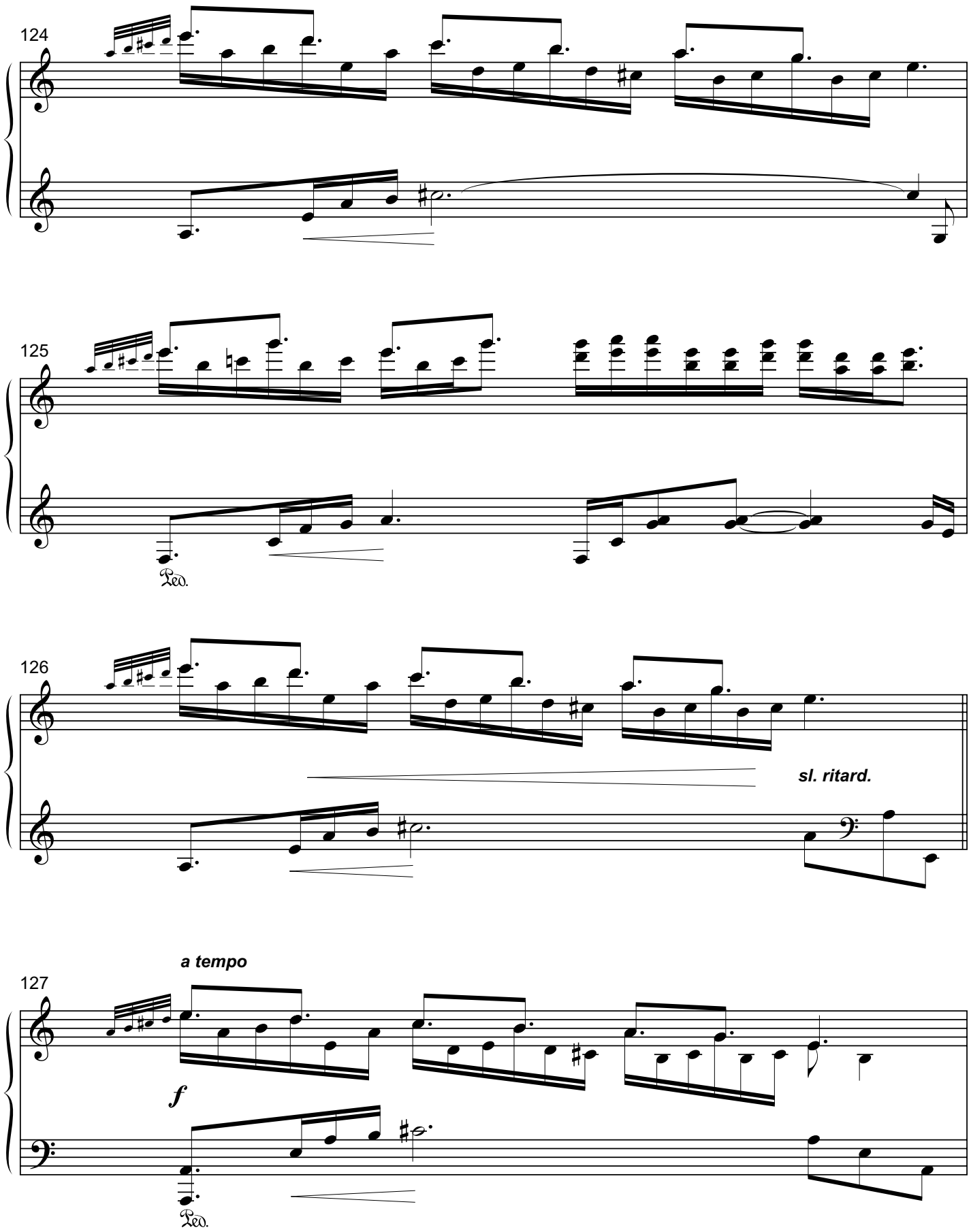
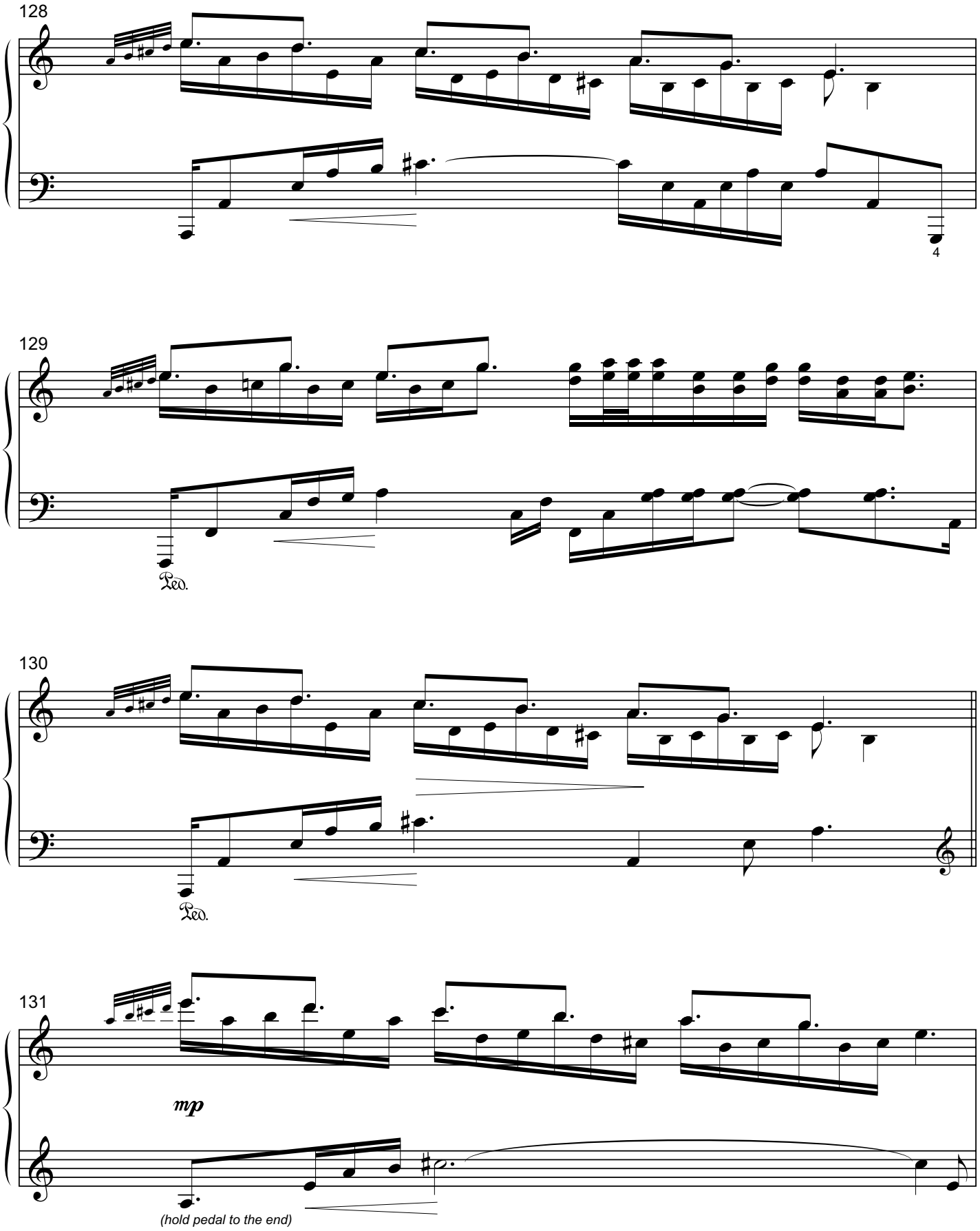
Ped.
106
Ped.
107
Ped.
108
3
3
Ped.

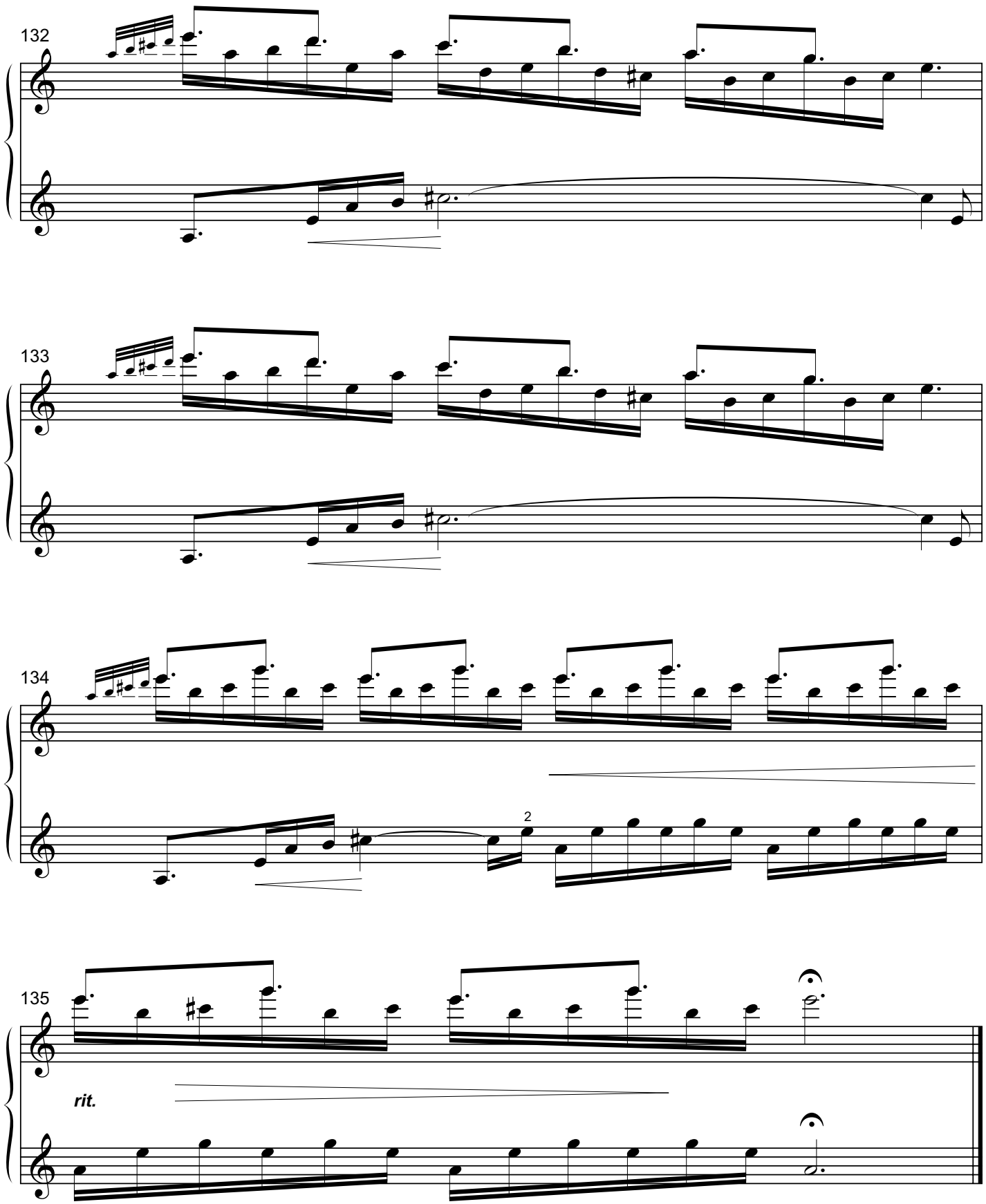

109
Ped.
110
Ped.
Ped.
112
Ped.
rit.
Ped.
114
Ped.
f
Ped.


116
Flurry
8va
14:16
14:16
15:16
5
1
4
Ped.
117
8va
add lib.
12:8
Ped.
118
rit.
(hold pedal until m.125)
119
=50
mp
1
2
rit.


120
a tempo
rit.
121
a tempo
rit.
122
a tempo
1 4 3
123
mf
1 4 3


124
125
Ped.
126
sl. ritard.
a tempo
127
f
Ped.


128
4
129
Ped.
130
Ped.
131
mp
(hold pedal to the end)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133
134
2
135
rit.

CHATHAM

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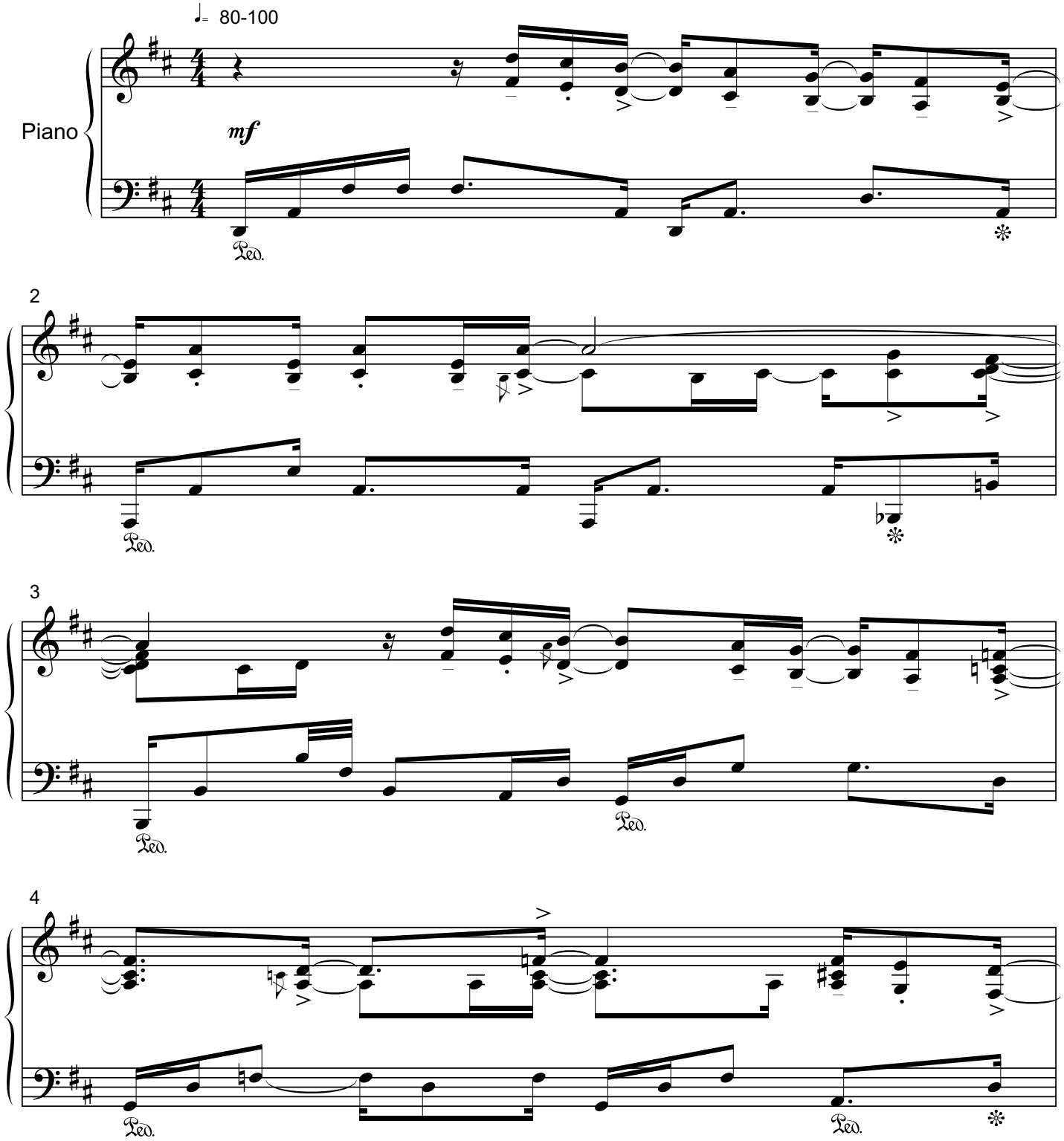

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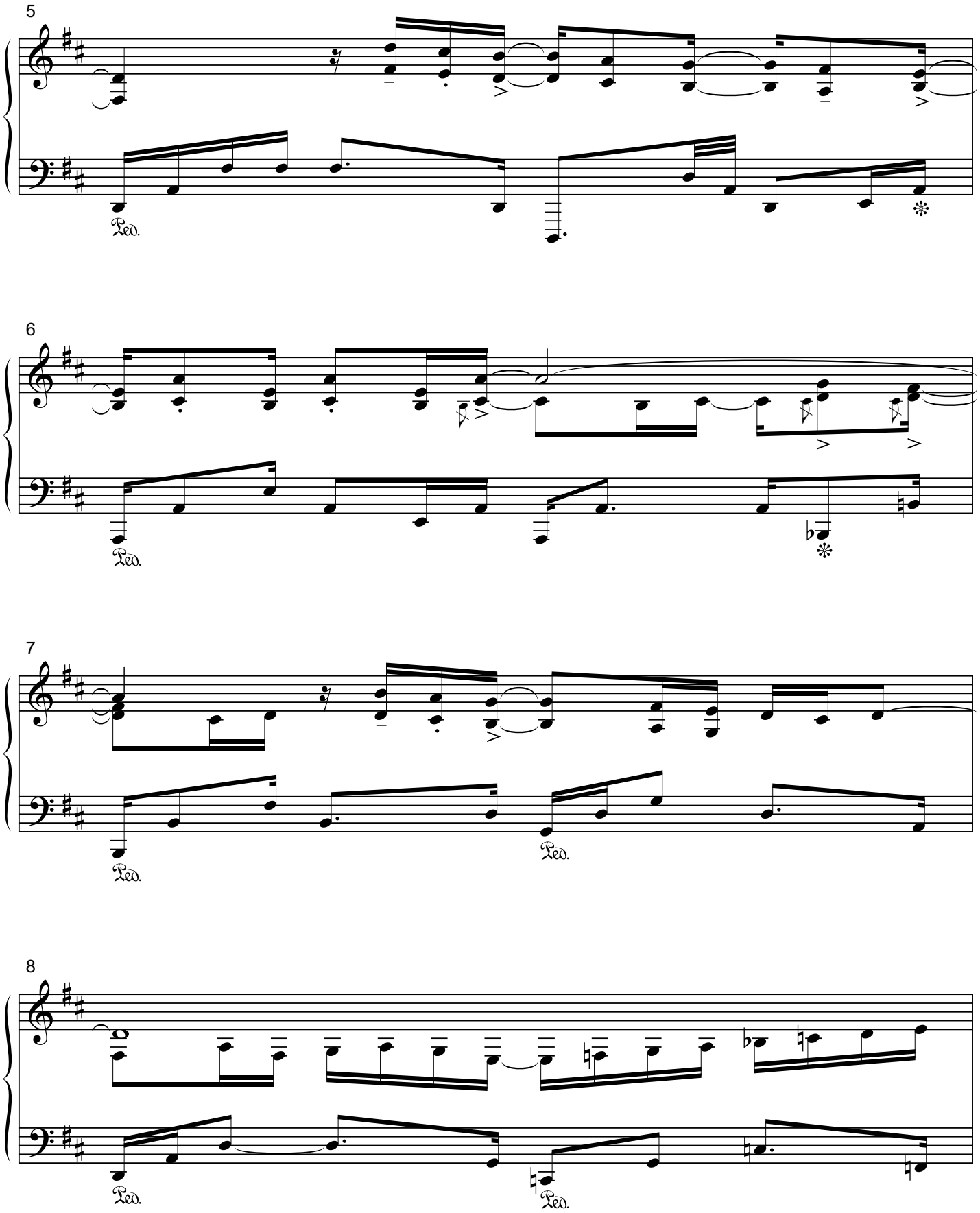
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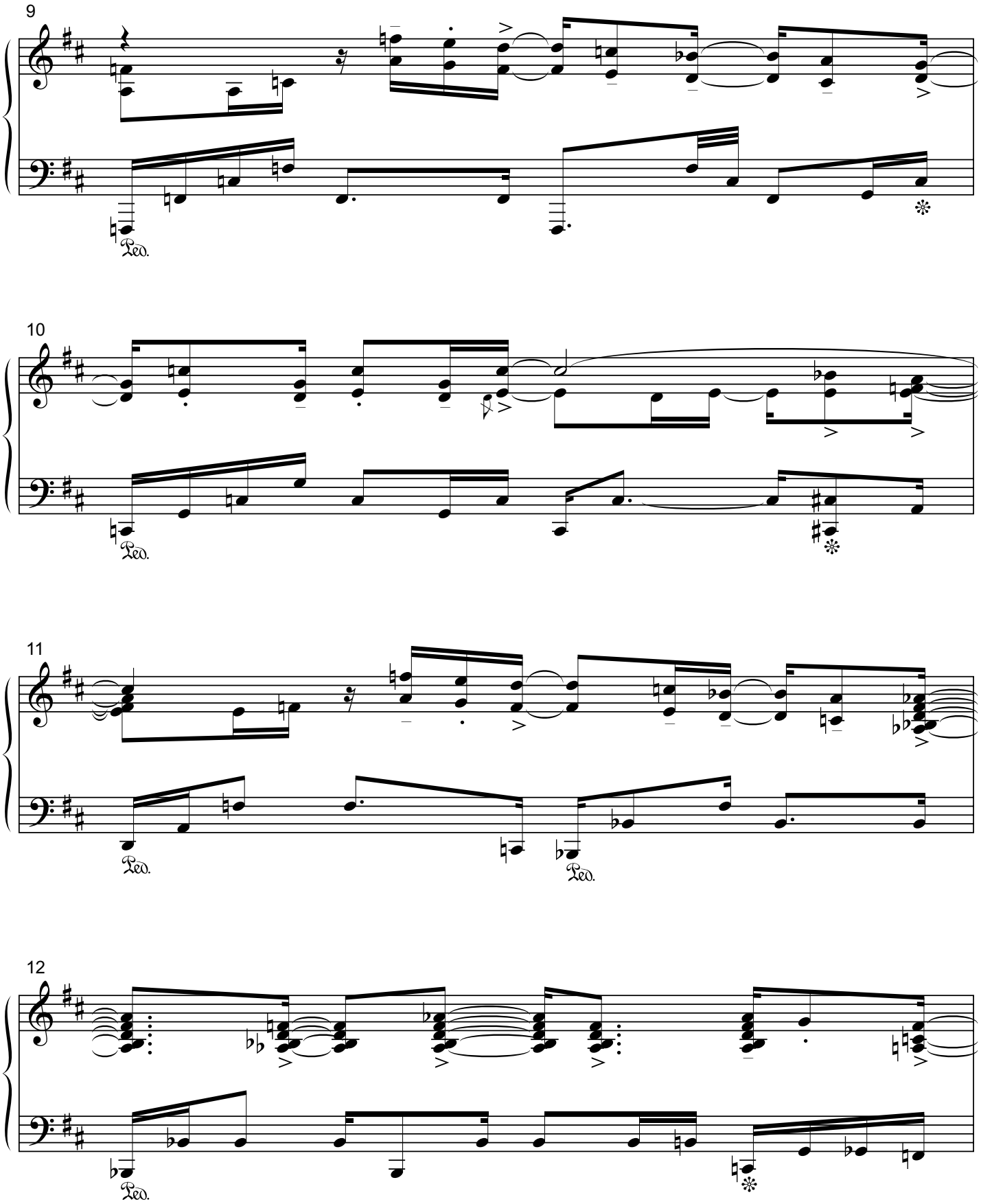
Ped.
6
Ped.
7
Ped.
Ped.
8
Ped.
Ped.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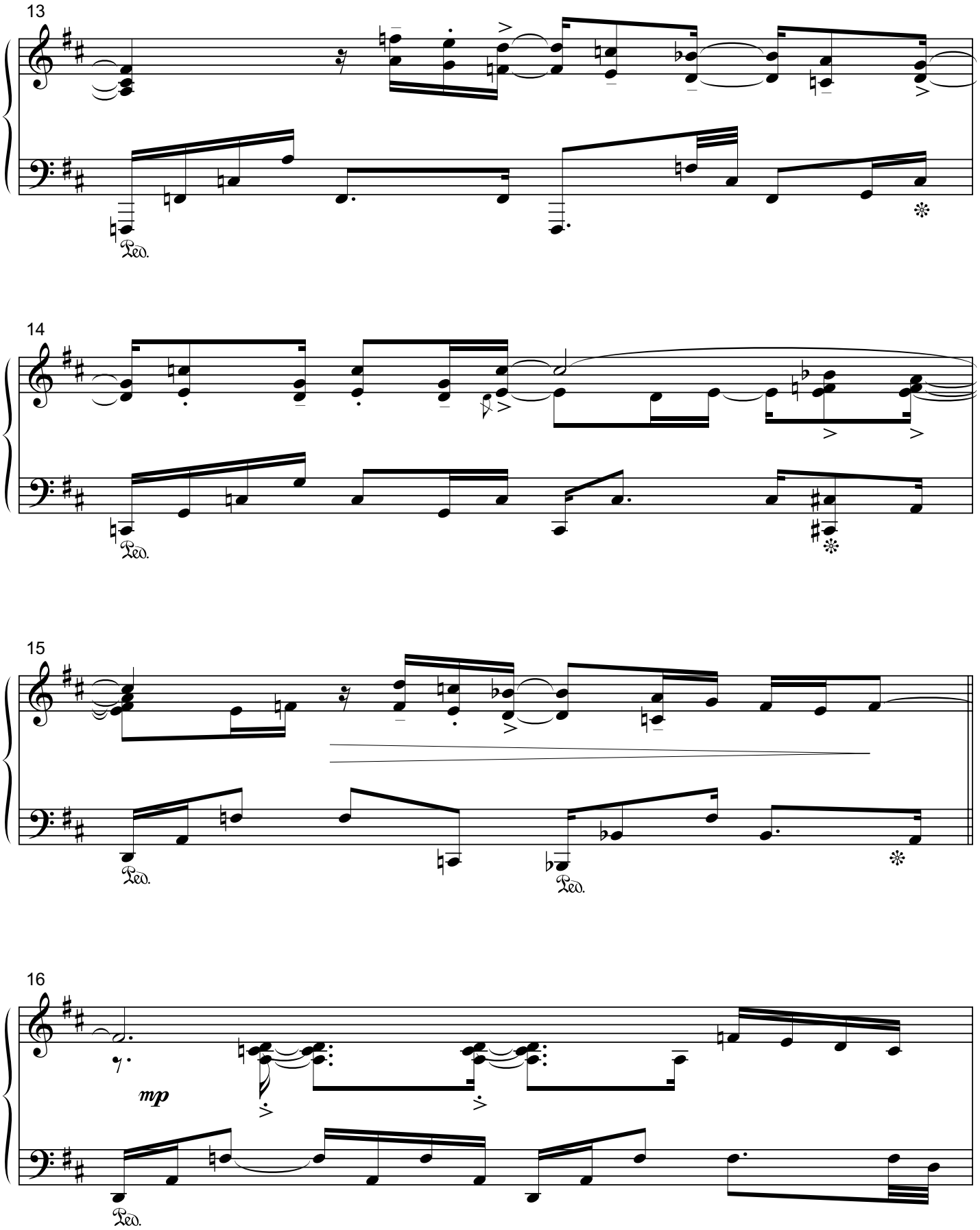
Ped.
10
Ped.
11
Ped.
Ped.
12
Ped.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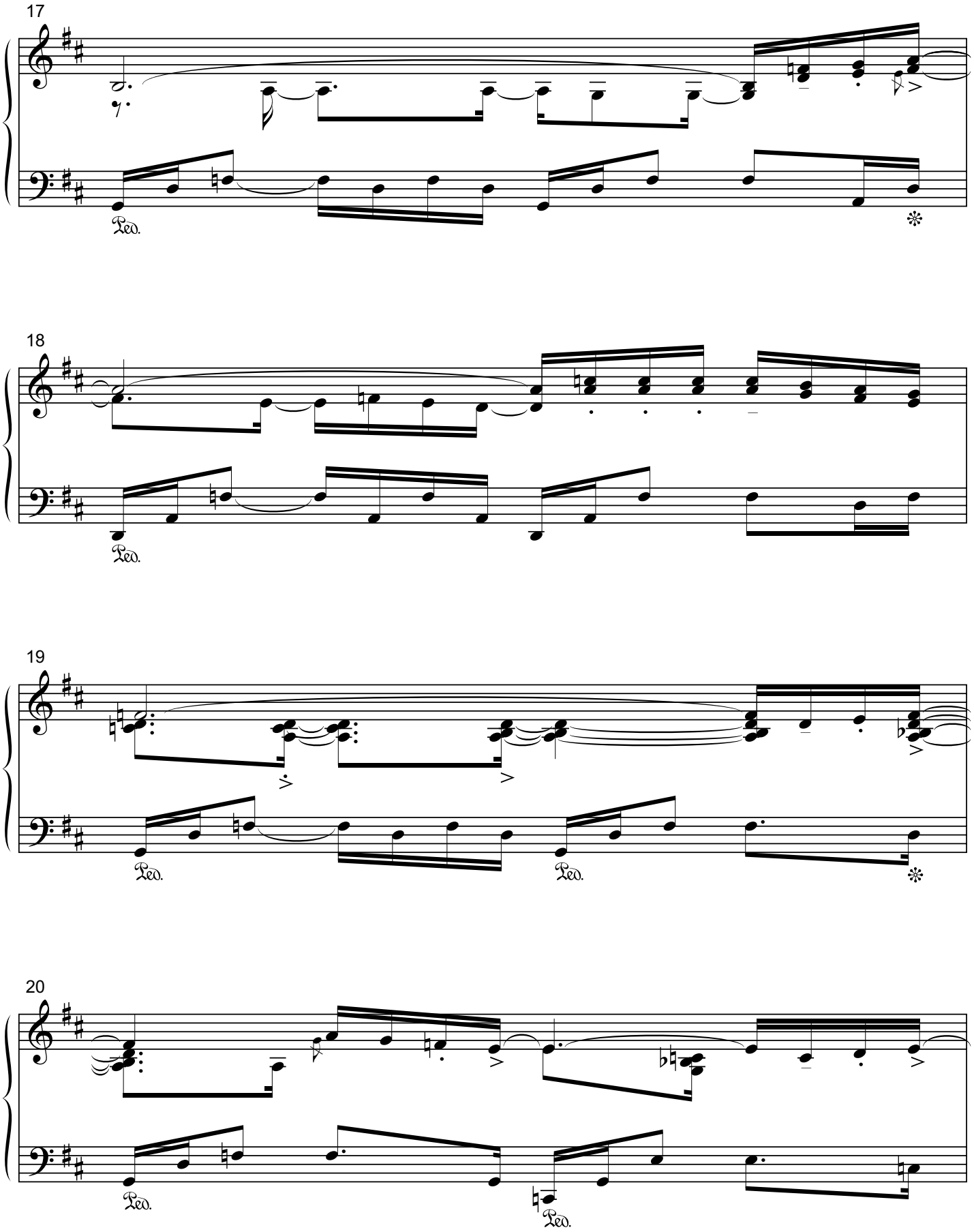
Ped.
14
Ped.
15
Ped.
Ped.
16
mp
Ped.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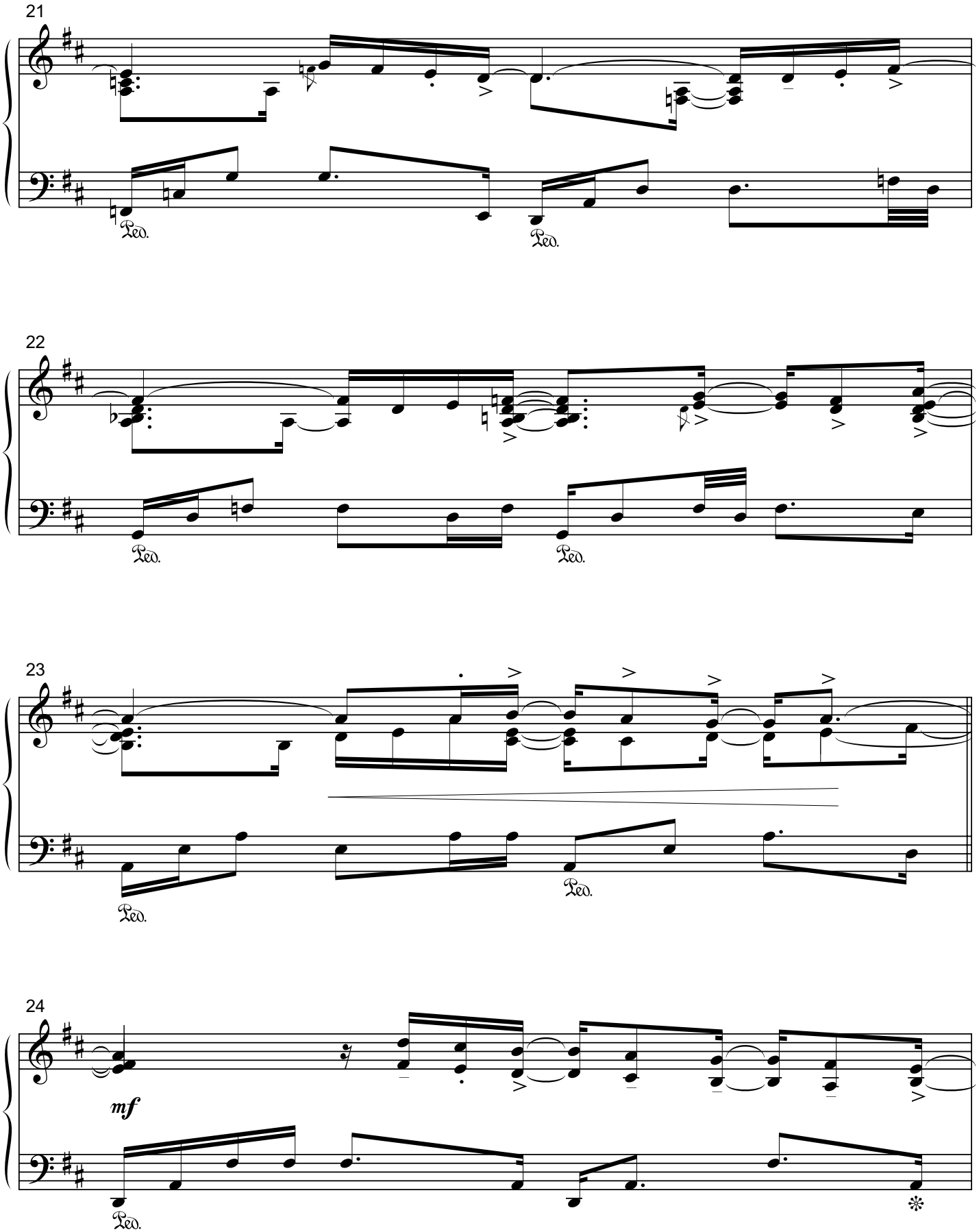
Ped.
18
Ped.
19
Ped.
Ped.
20
Ped.
Ped.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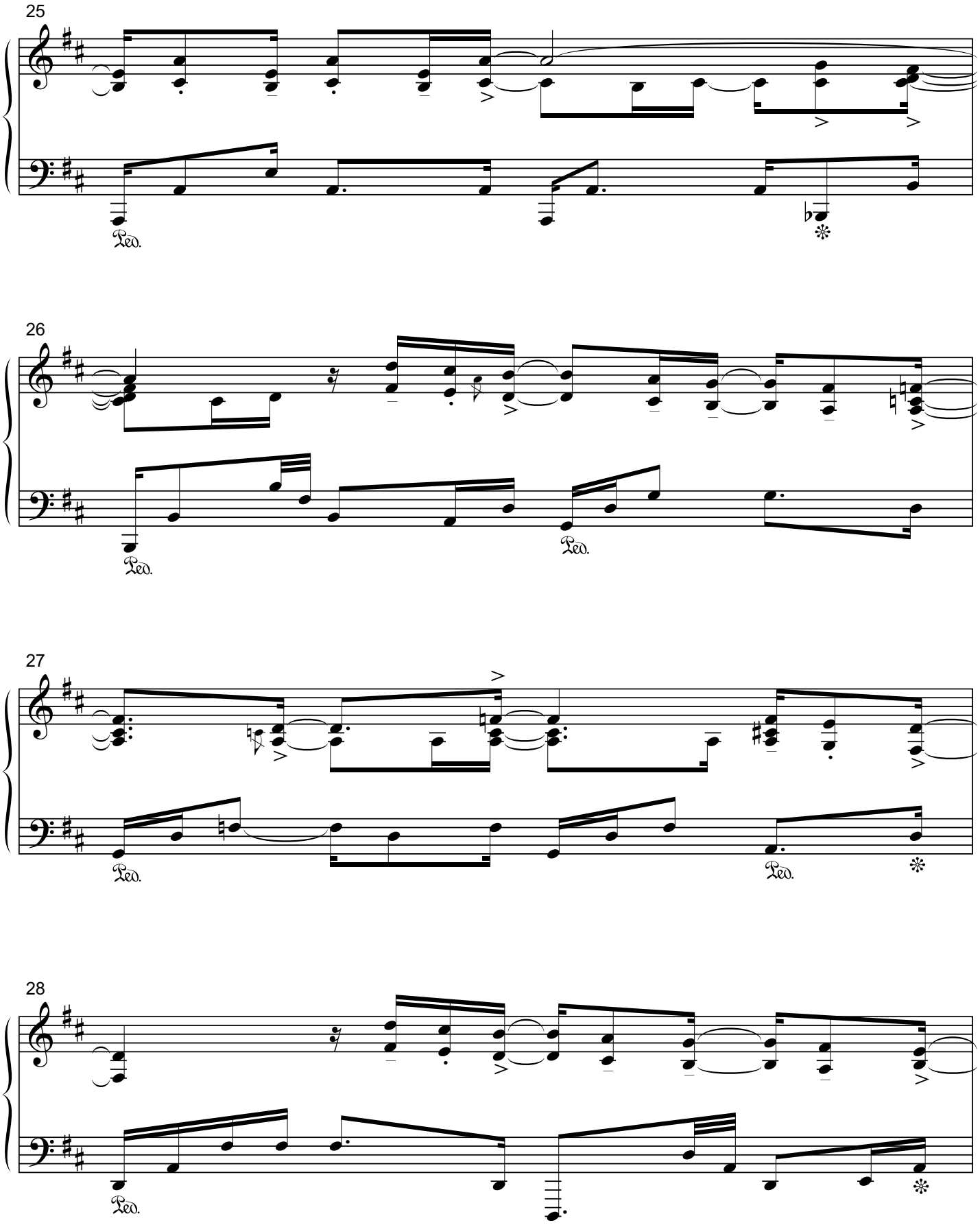
Ped.
Ped.
22
Ped.
Ped.
23
Ped.
Ped.
24
mf
Ped.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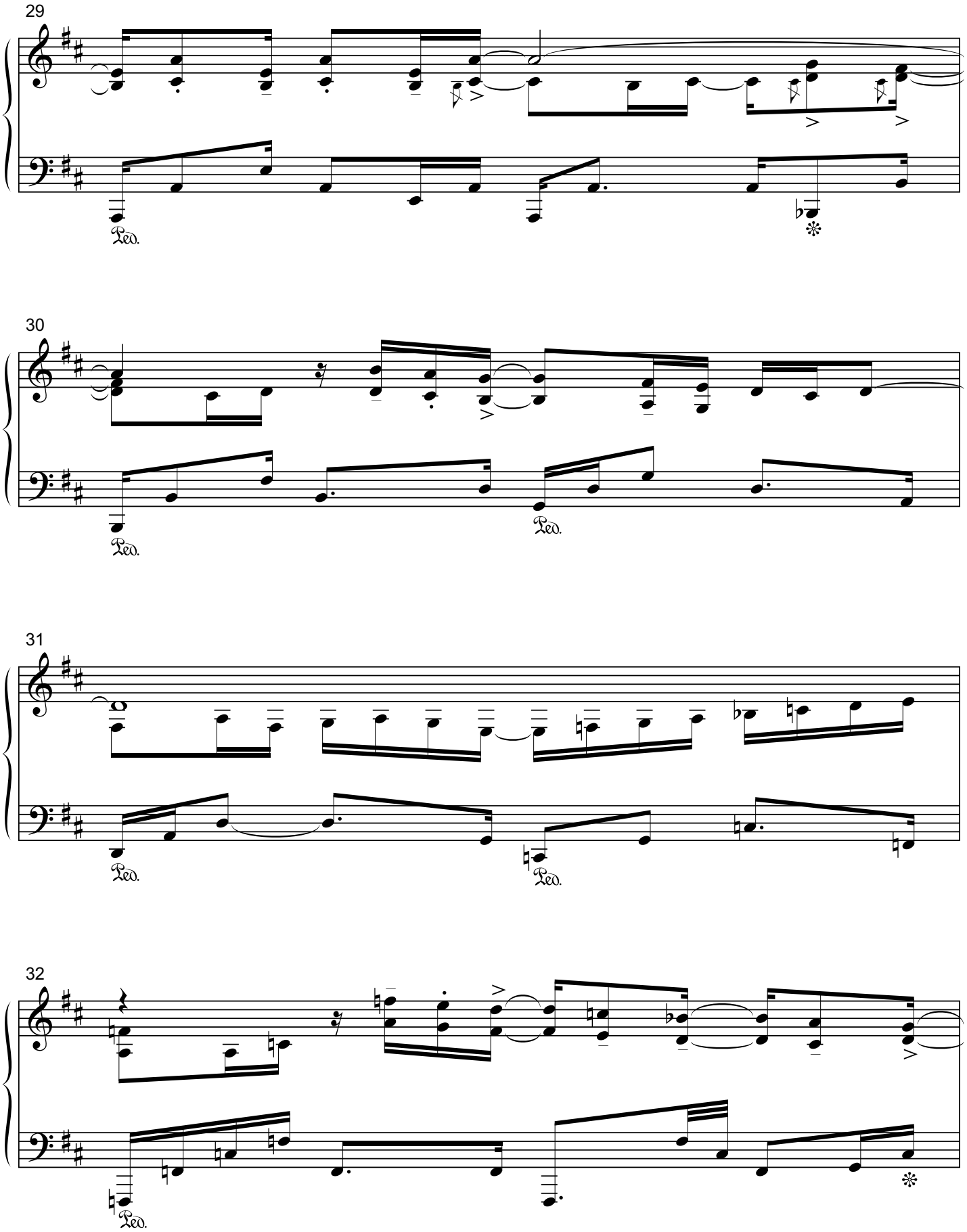
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Ped.
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Ped.
Ped.
31
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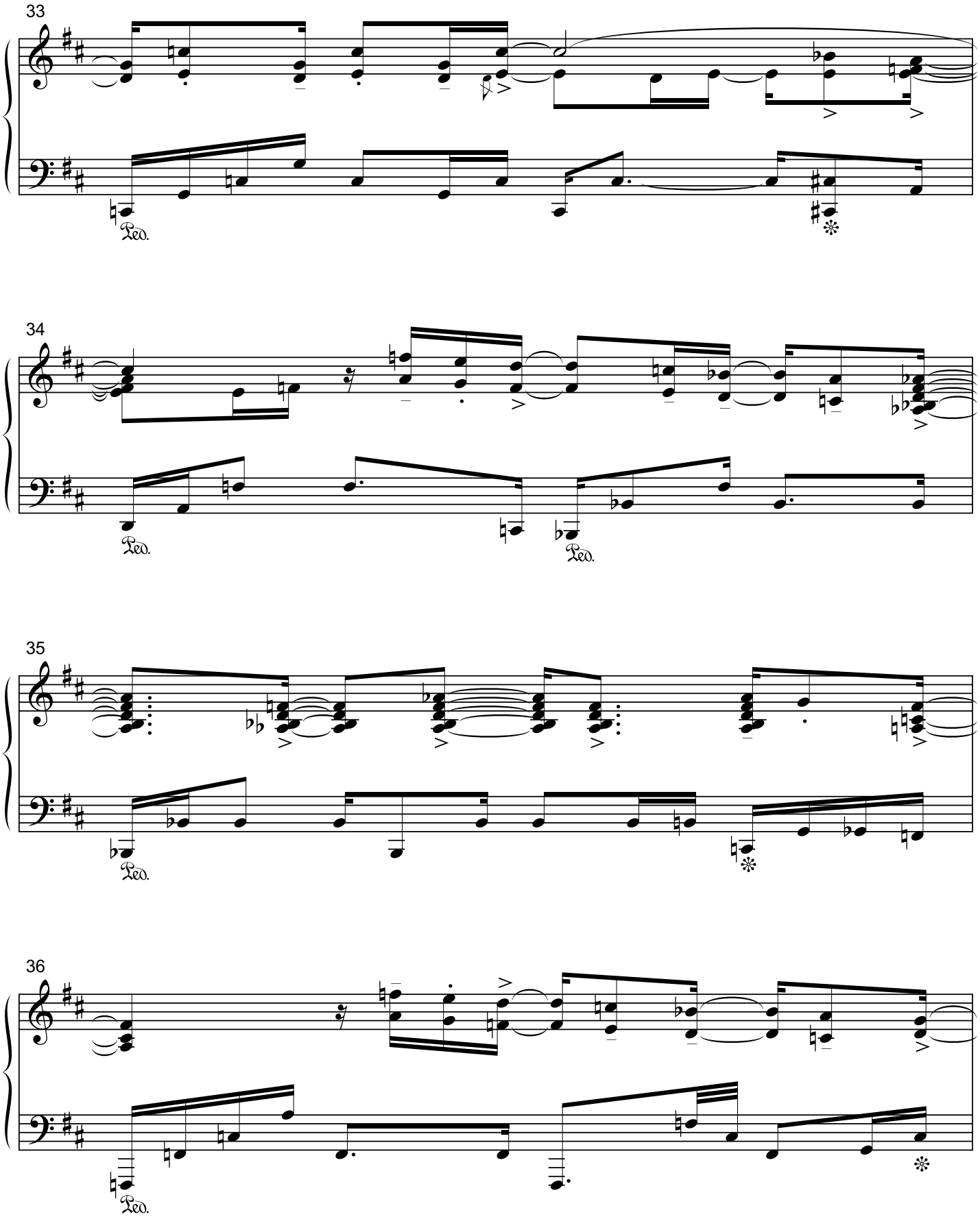
Ped.
32
Ped.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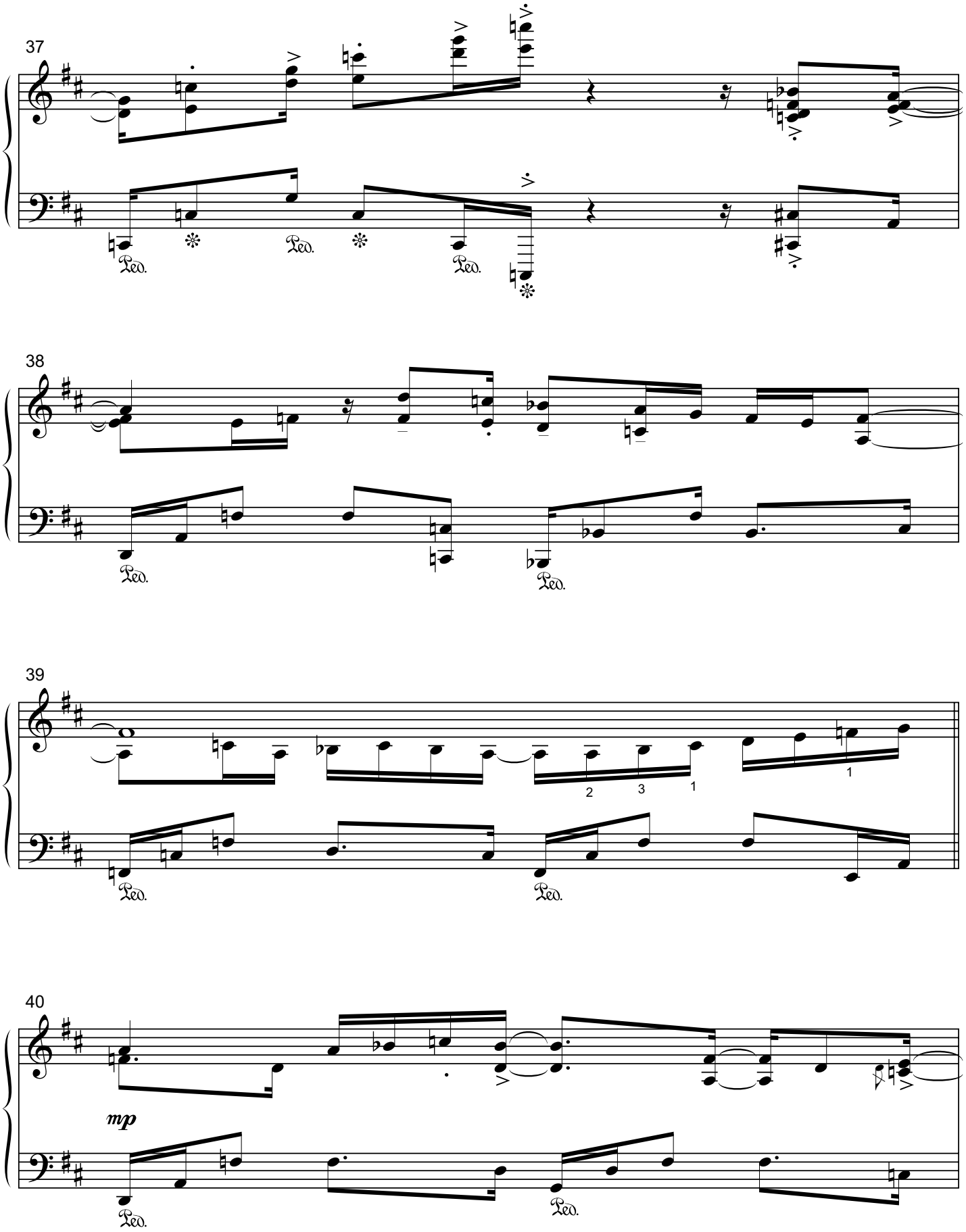
Ped.
34
Ped.
Ped.
35
Ped.
36
Ped.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39
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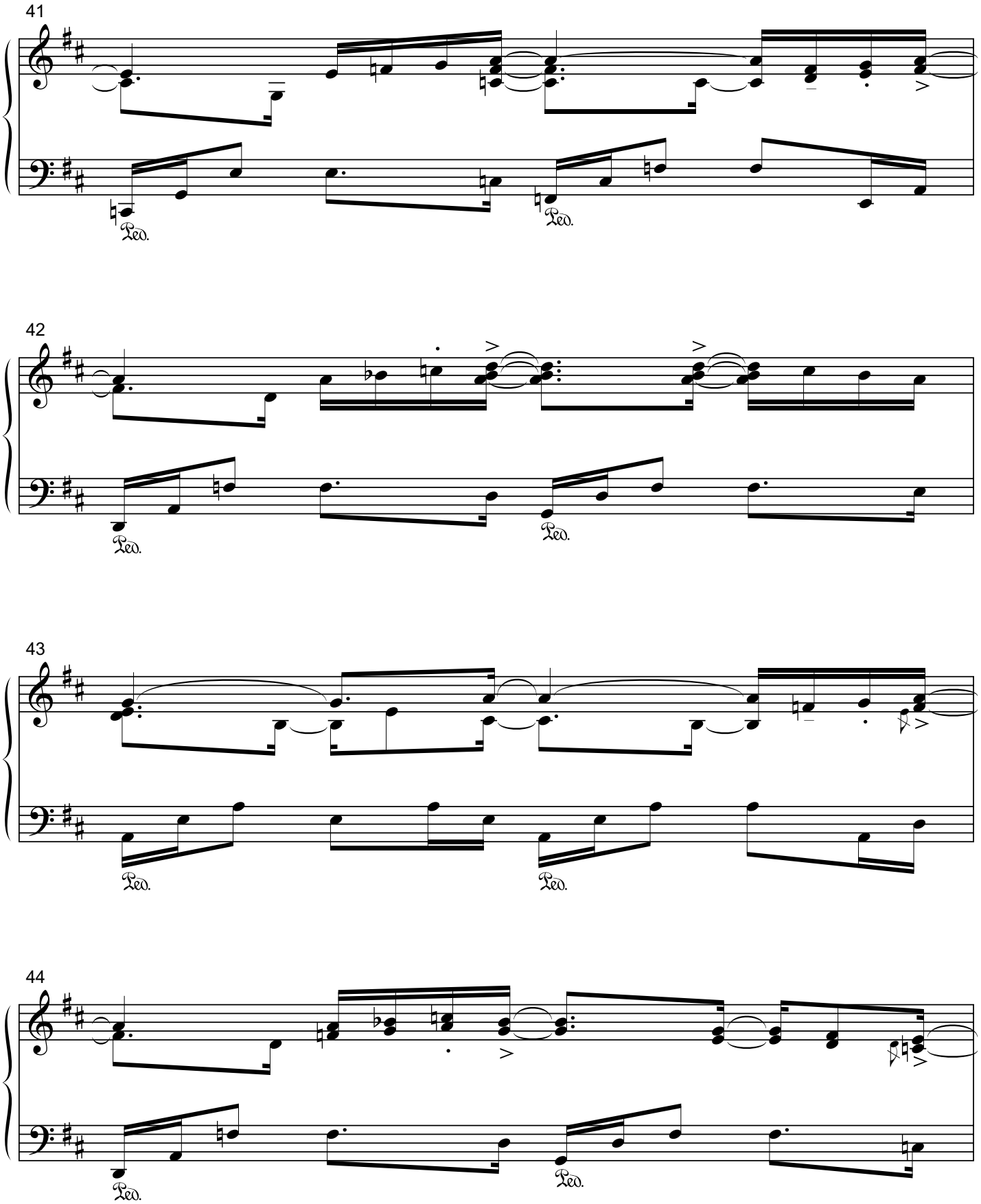
mp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Ped.
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Ped.
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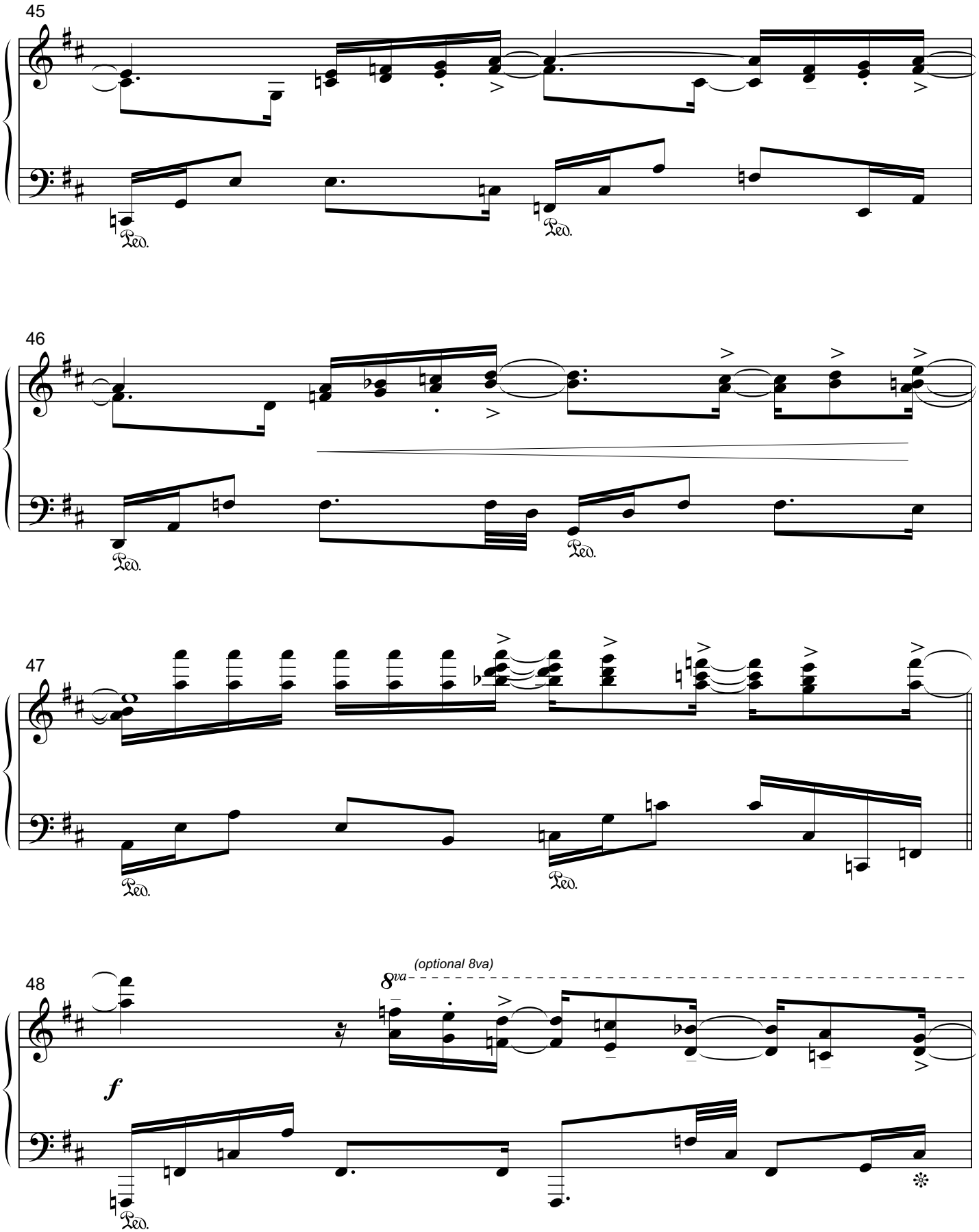
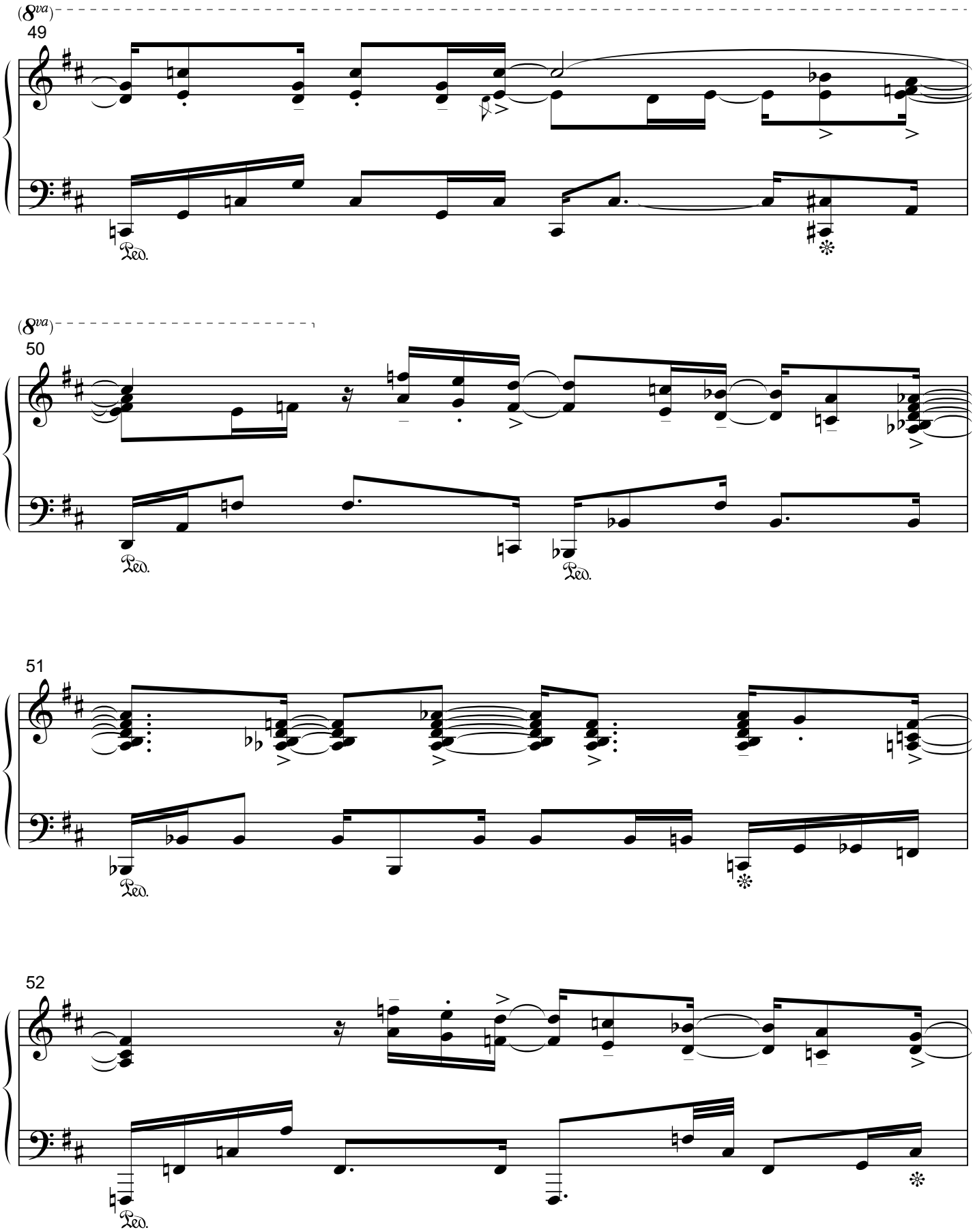
Ped.


45
46
47
48
(optional 8va)
8va
f
Ped.


(8va)
49
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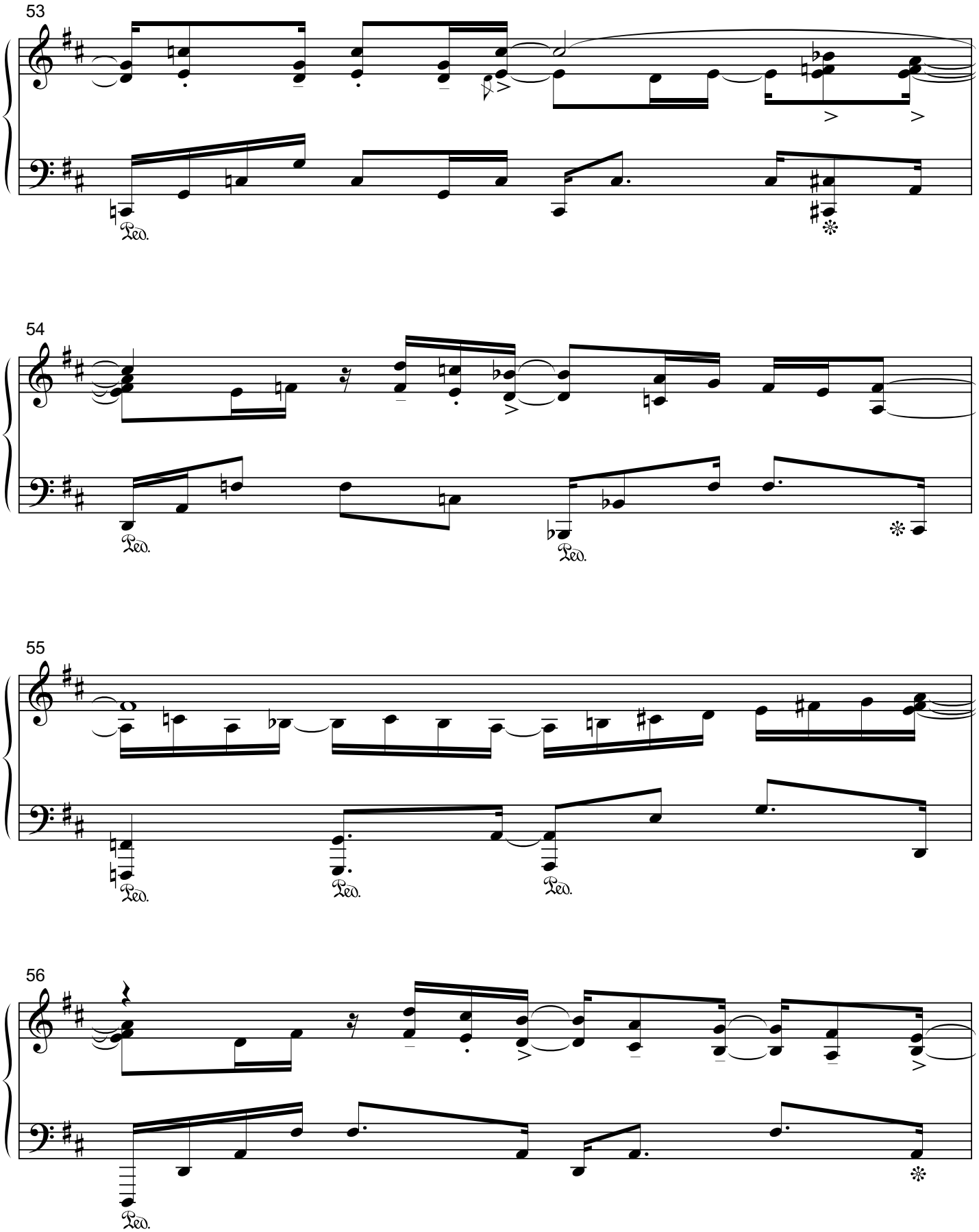
(8va)
50
Ped.
Ped.
51
Ped.
52
Ped.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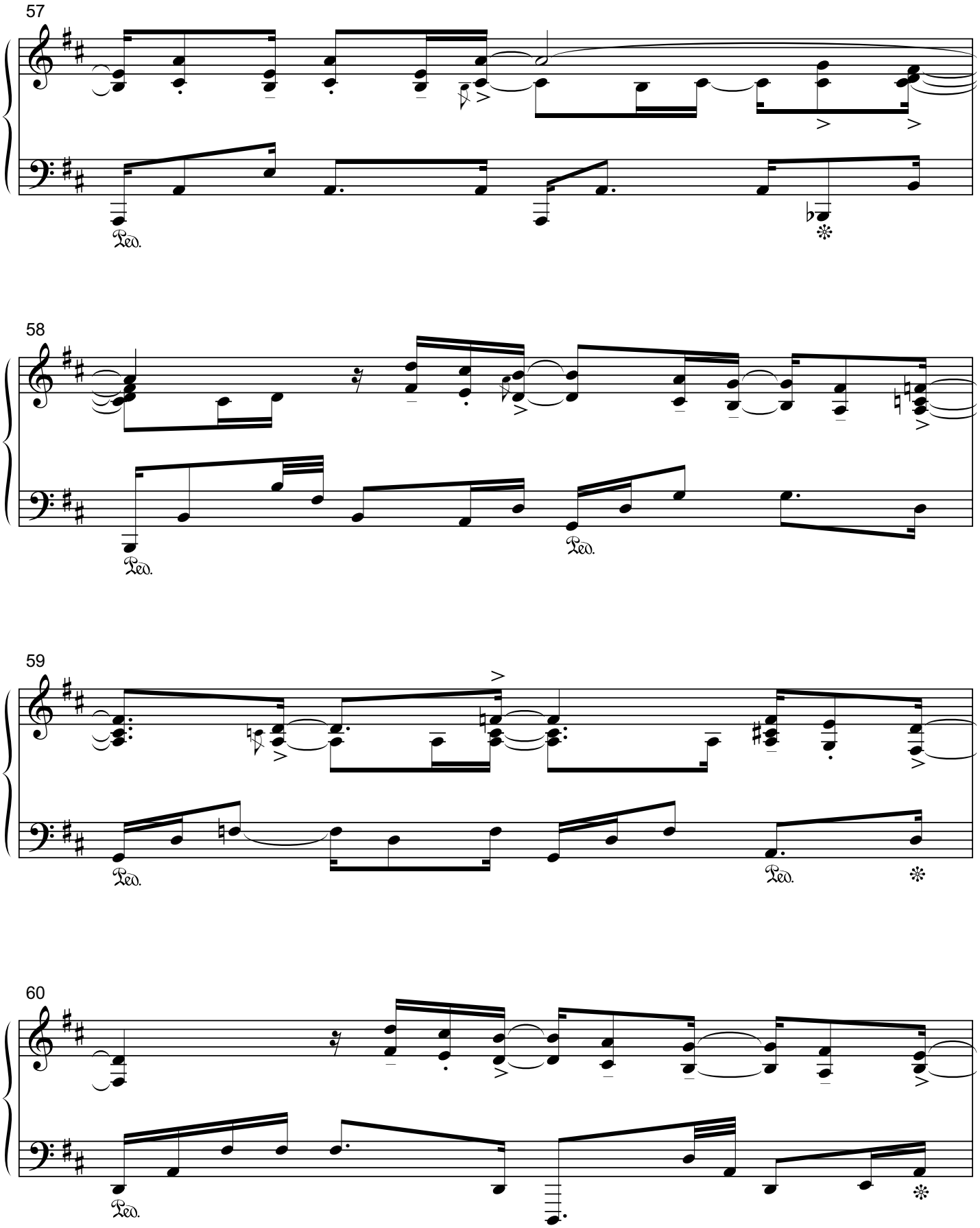
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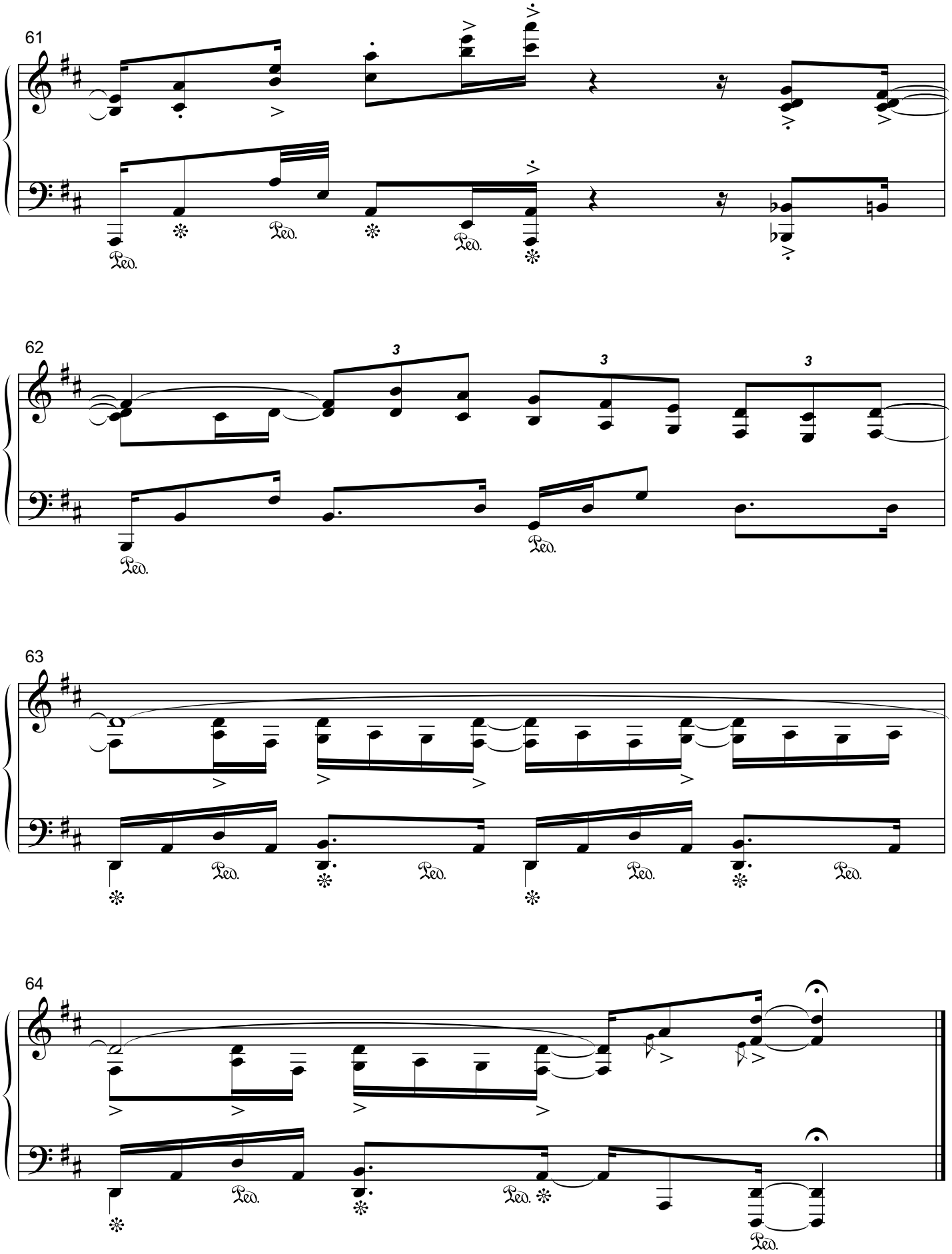
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OUR SONG

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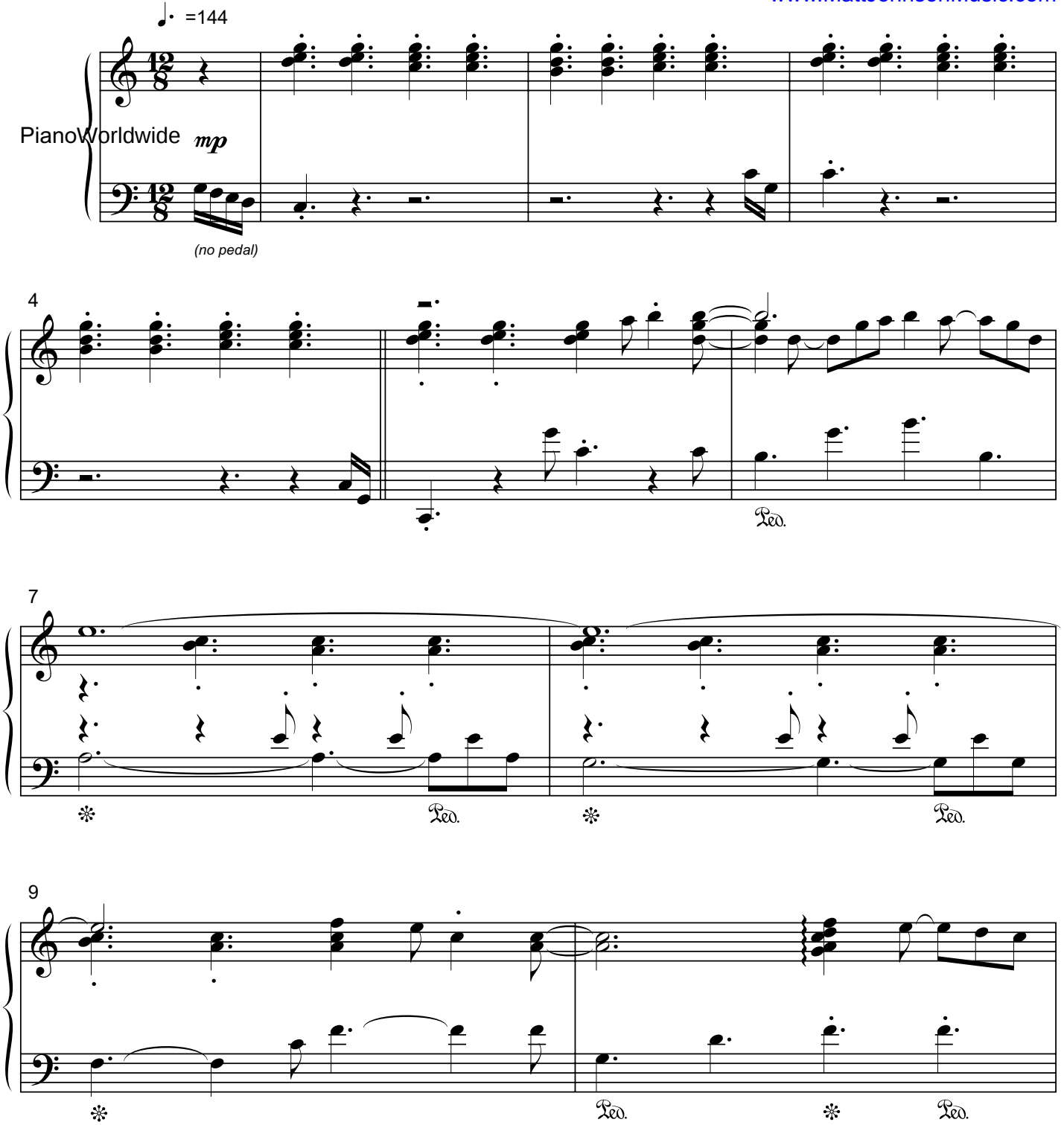

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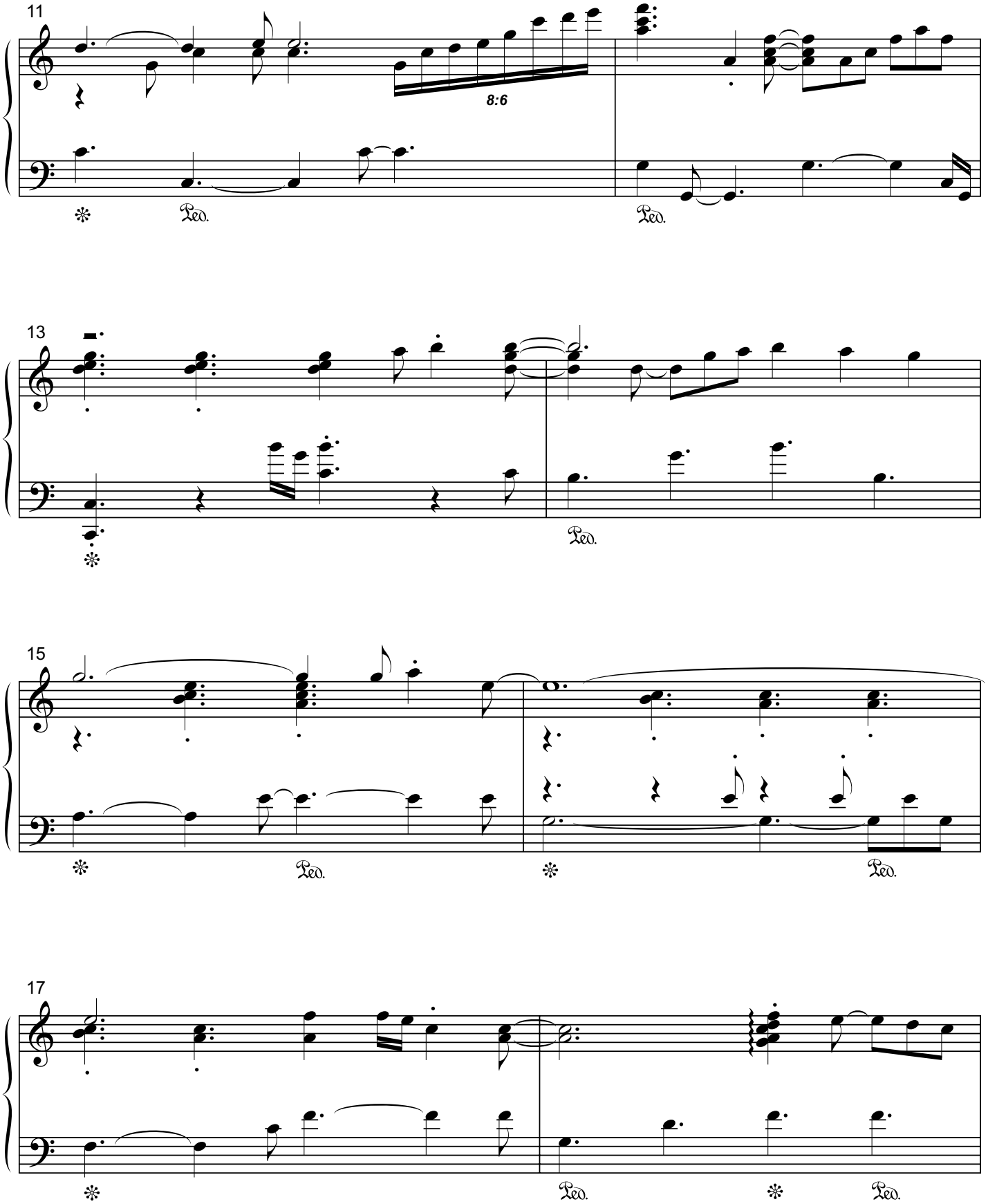
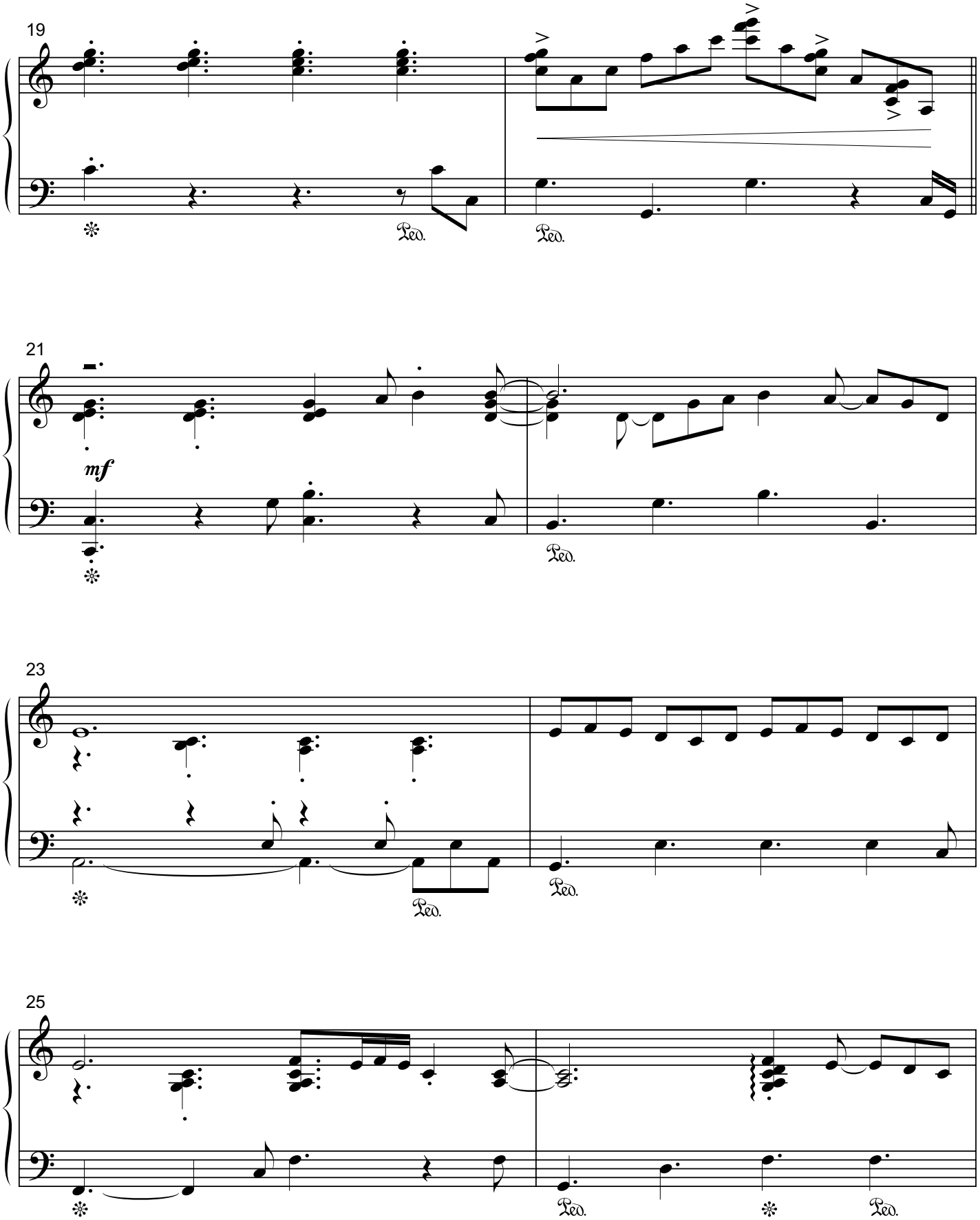

11
8:6
Ped.
Ped.
13
Ped.
15
Ped.
Ped.
17
Ped.
Ped.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21
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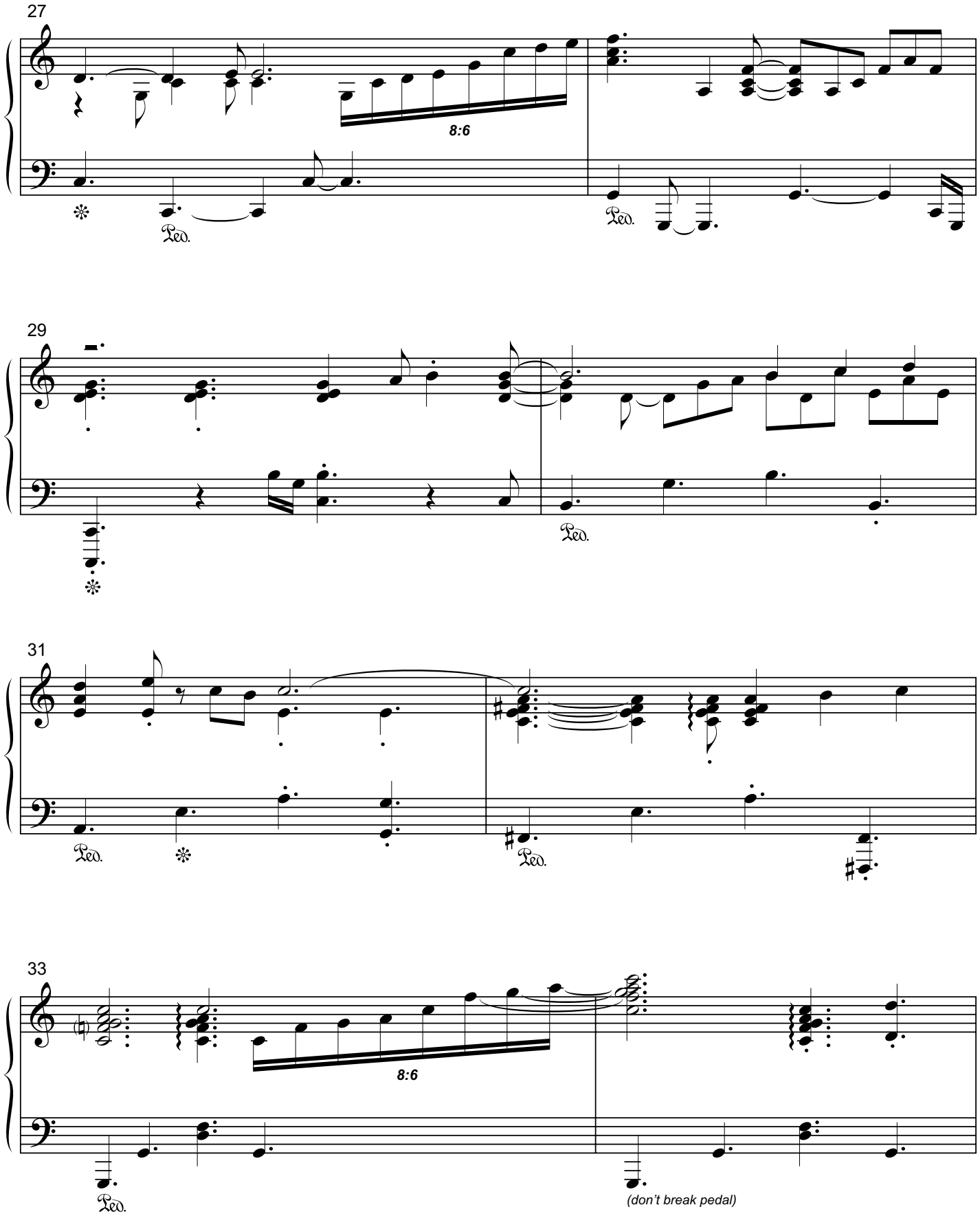
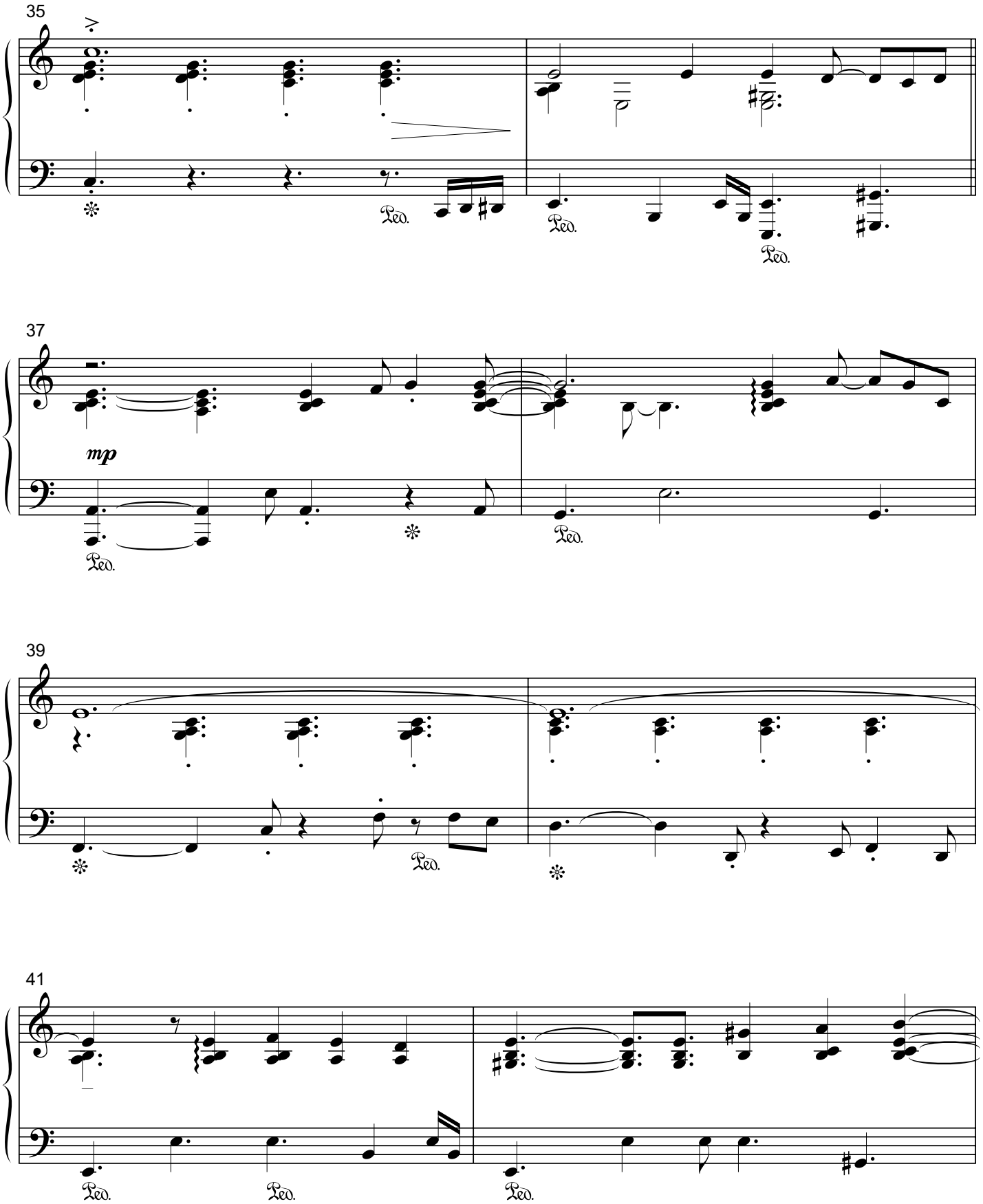

27
8:6
Ped.
Ped.
29
Ped.
31
Ped.
Ped.
33
8:6
Ped.
(don't break pedal)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37
mp
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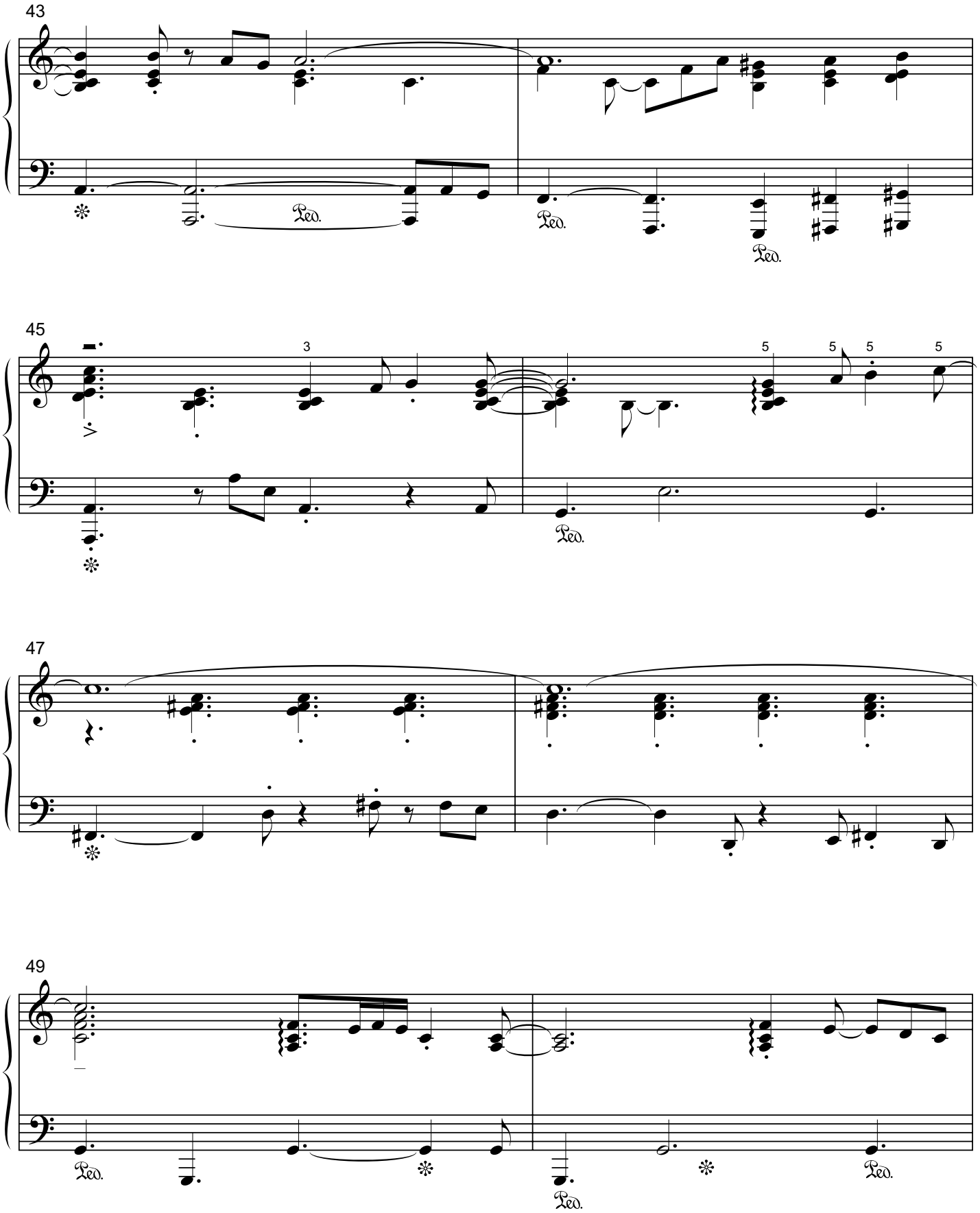
41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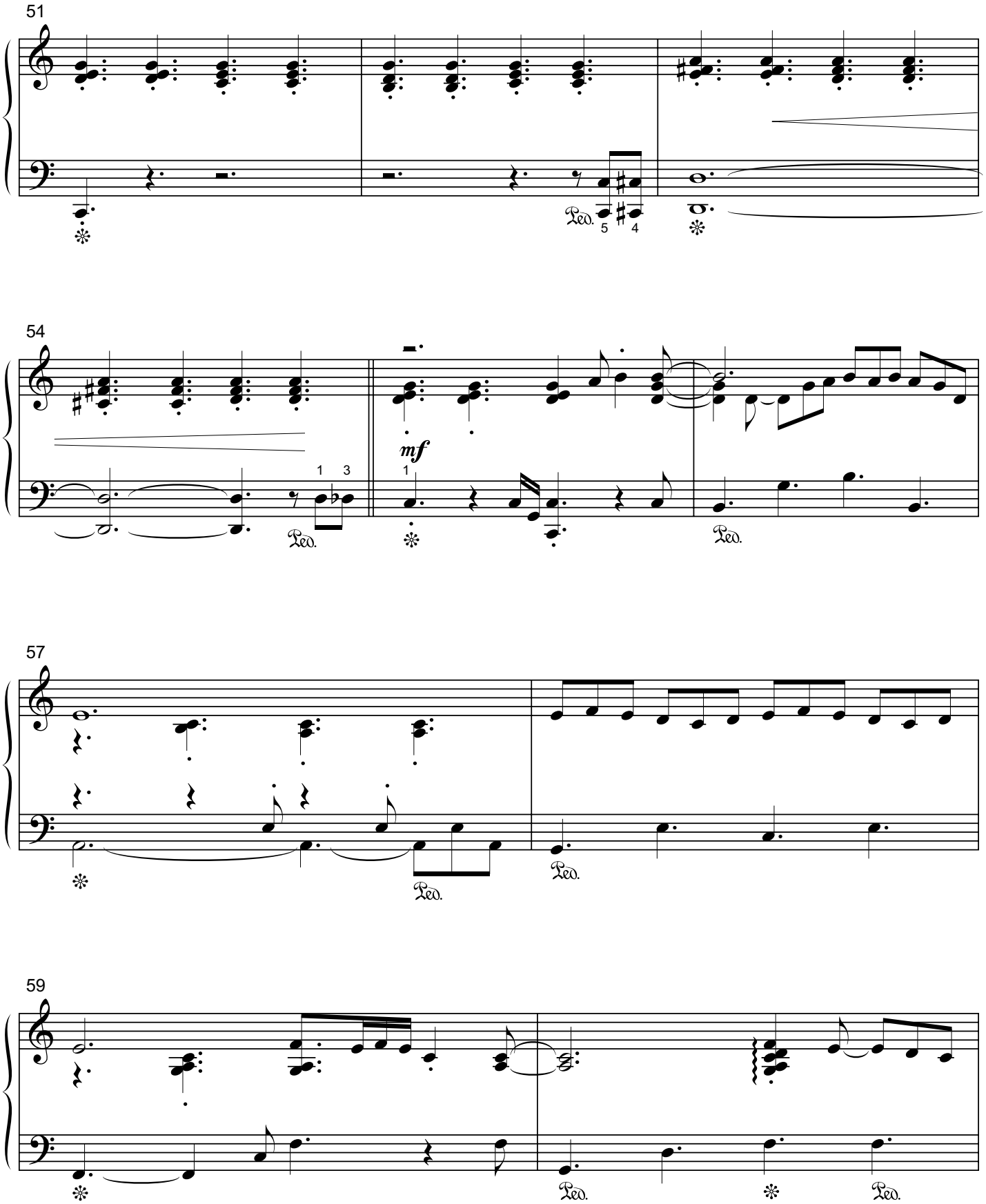
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
45
3
5
5
5
5
Ped.
47
49
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.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54
mf
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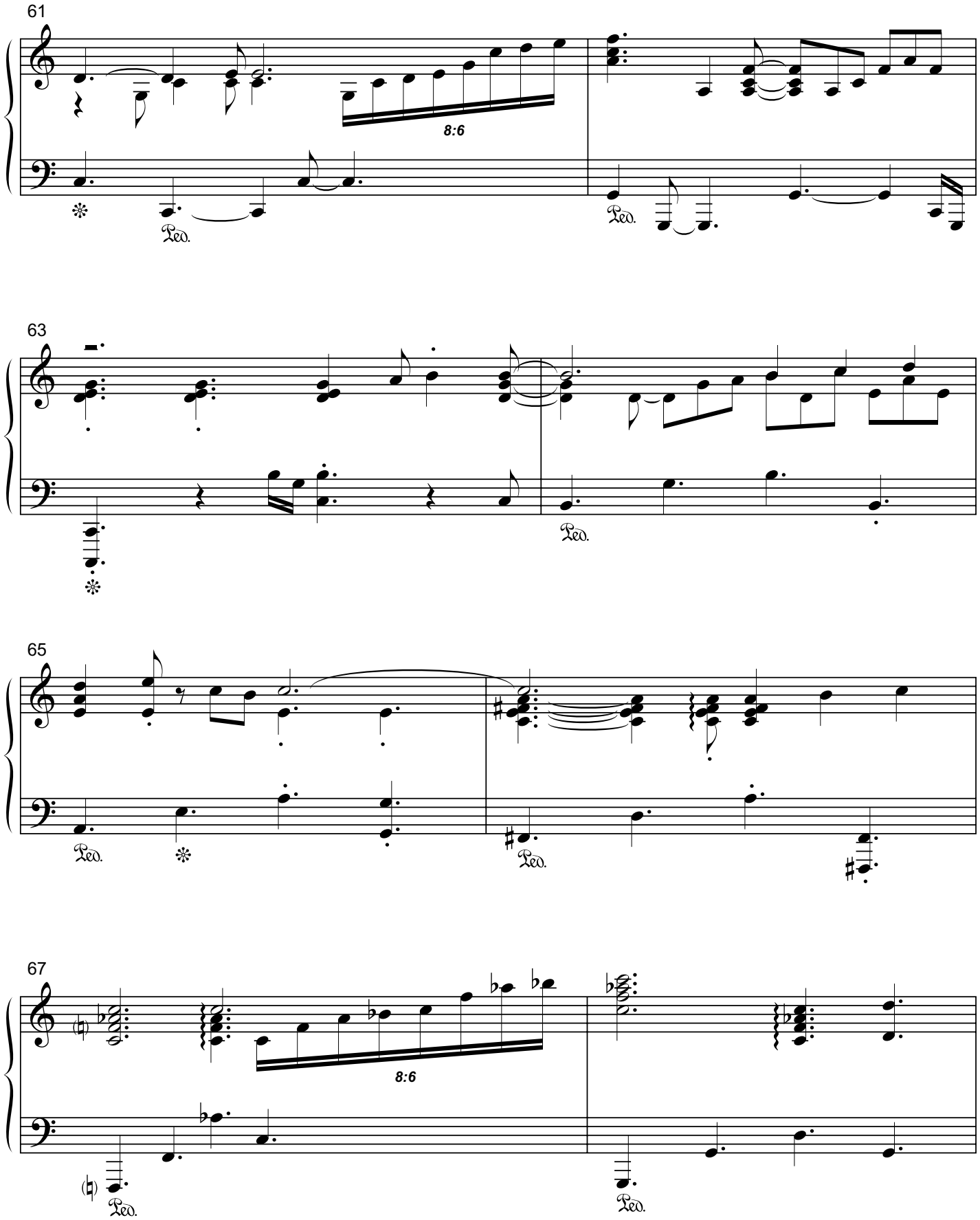
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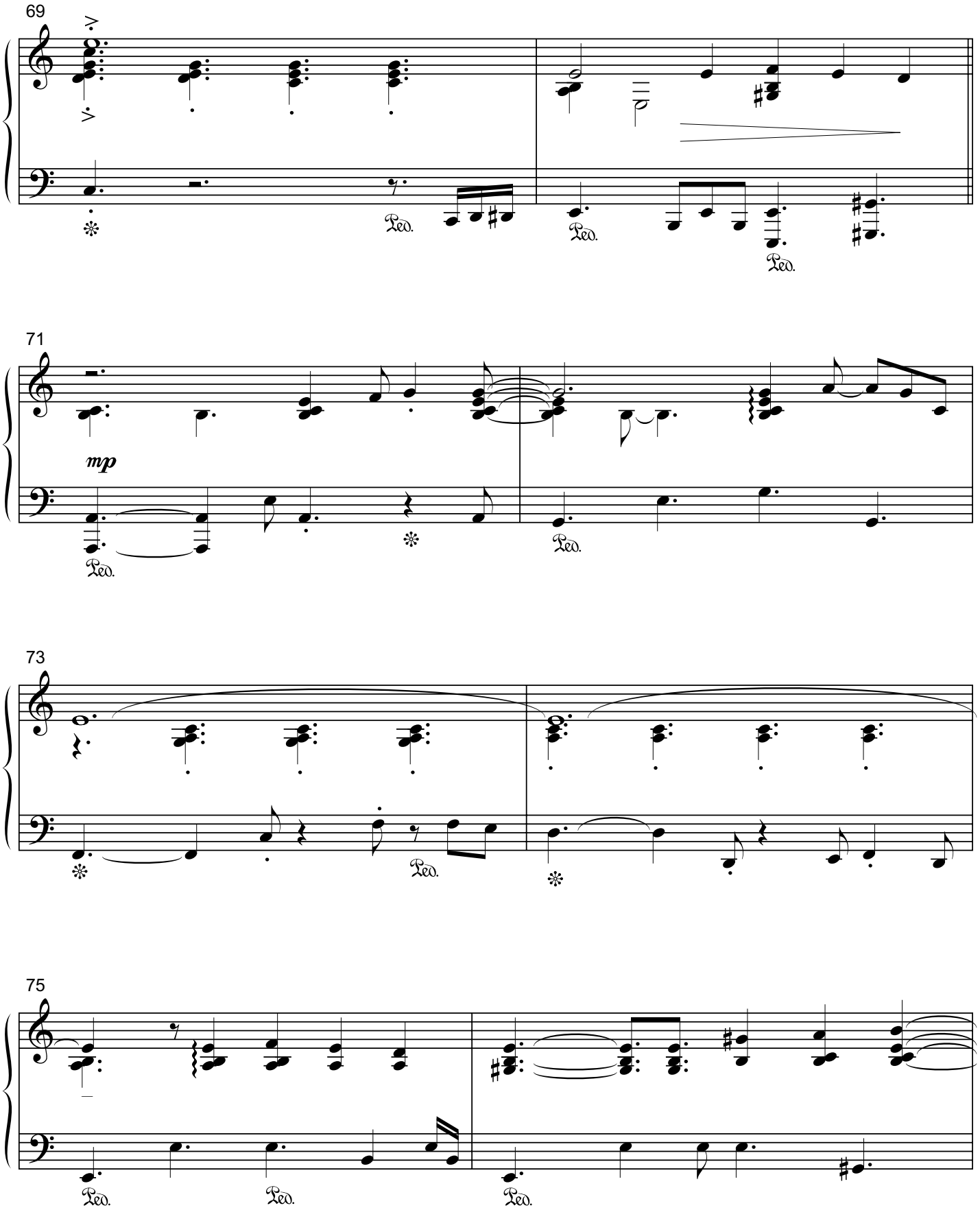
8:6
Ped.
Ped.
63
Ped.
65
Ped.
Ped.
67
8:6
Ped.
Ped.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mp
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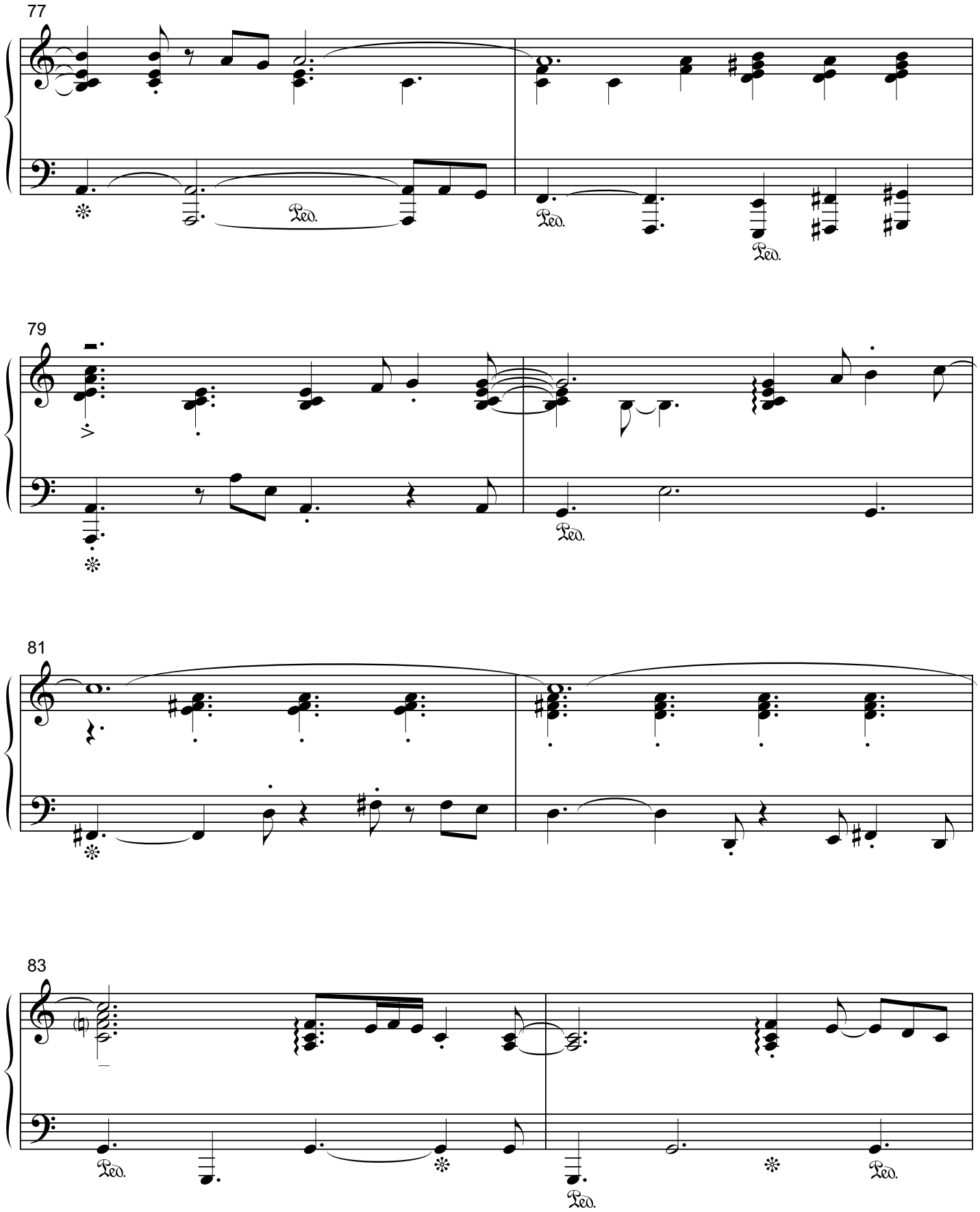
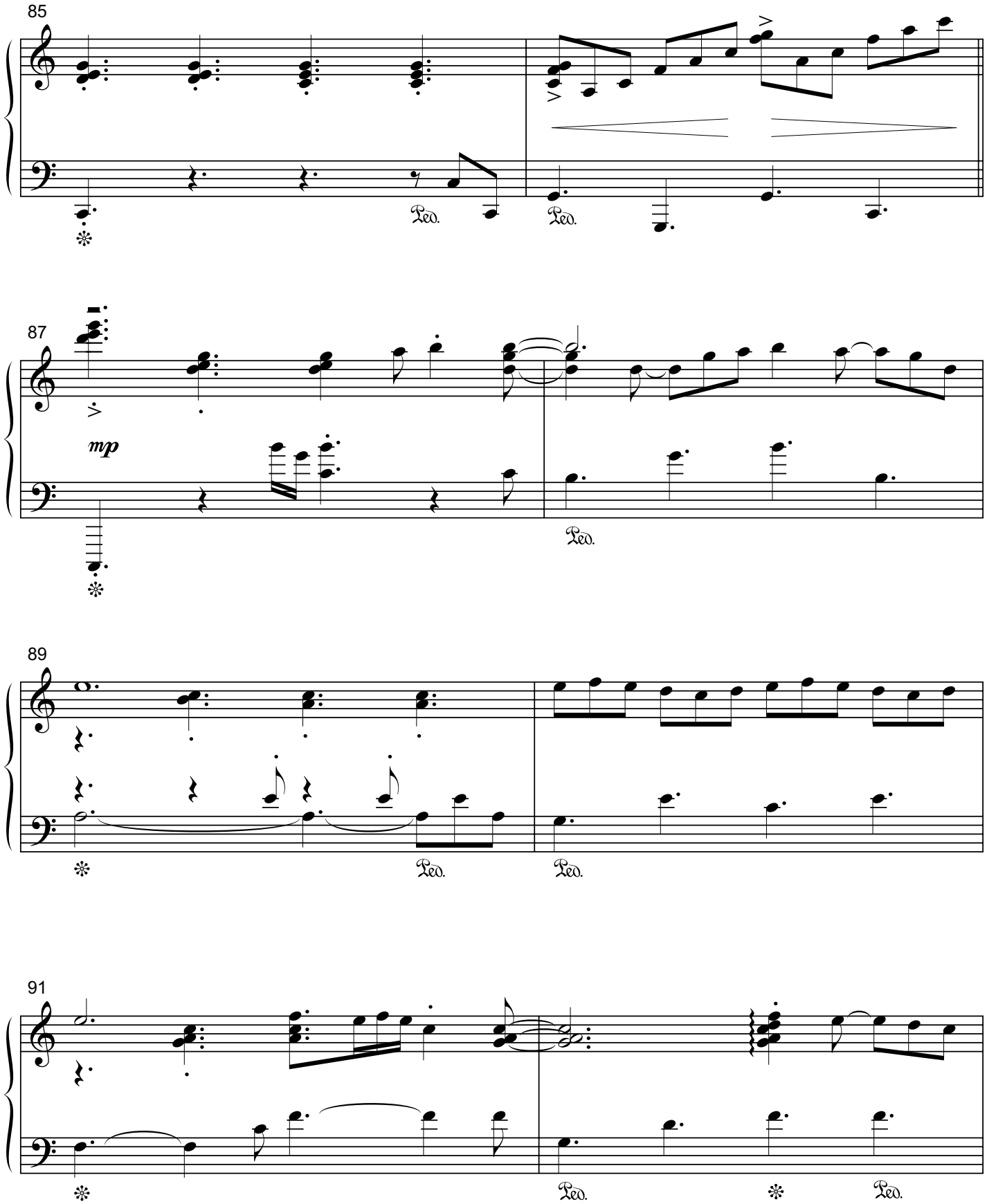

77
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
79
Ped.
81
83
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.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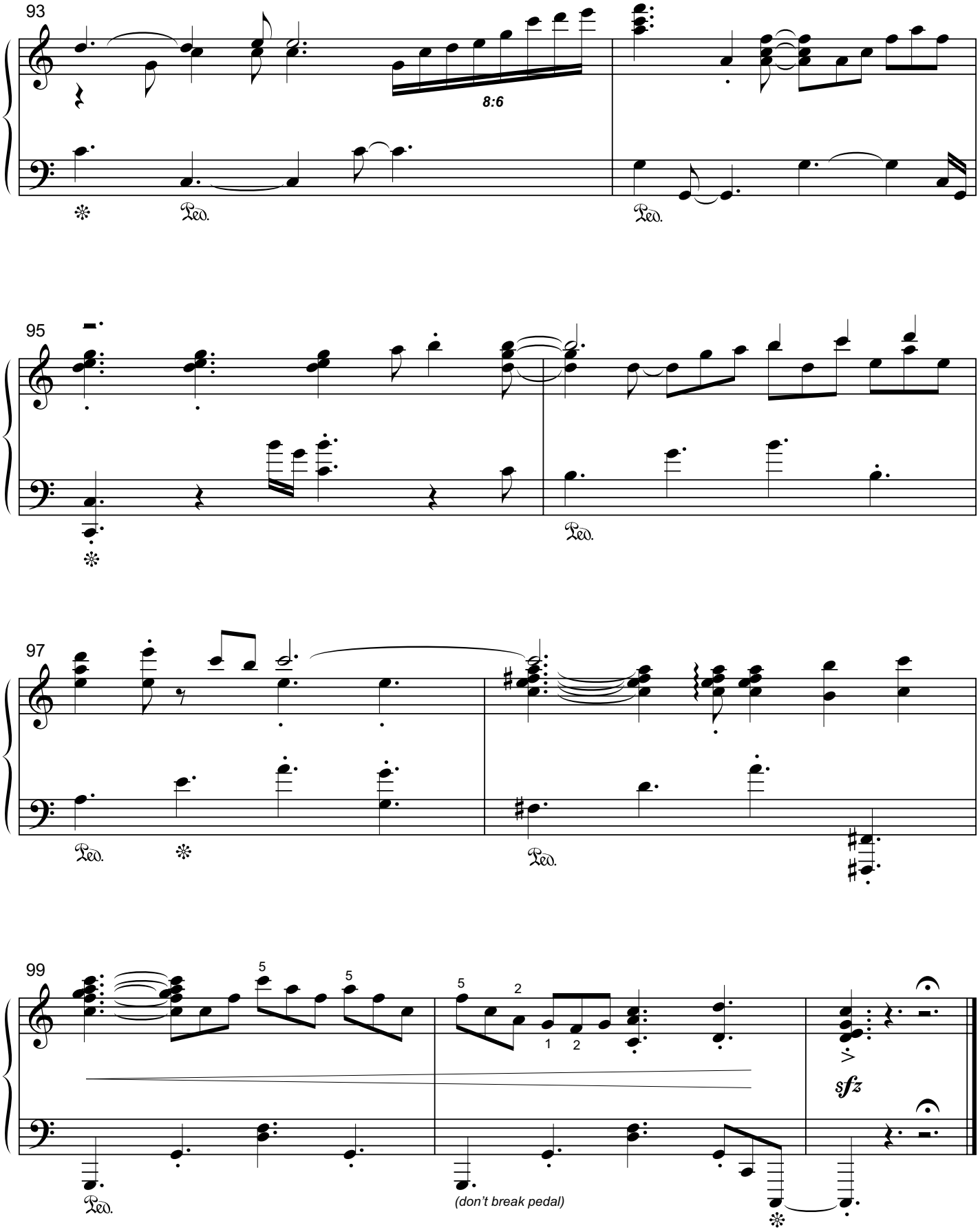
87
mp
89
91


93
8:6
Ped.
Ped.
95
Ped.
97
Ped.
Ped.
99
5
5
5
2
1
2
sfz
Ped.
(don't break pedal)

LONGING FOR YESTERDAY

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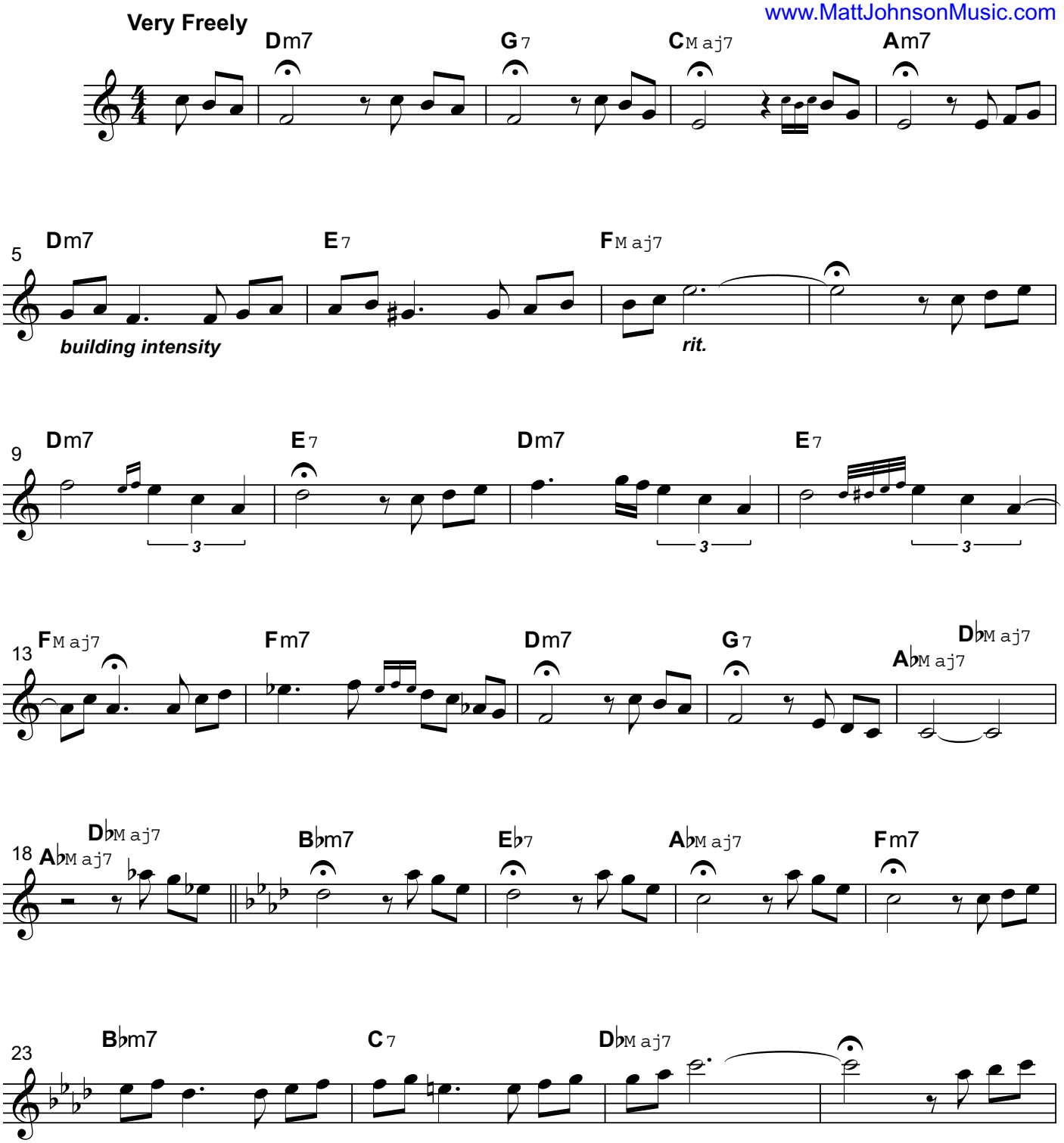

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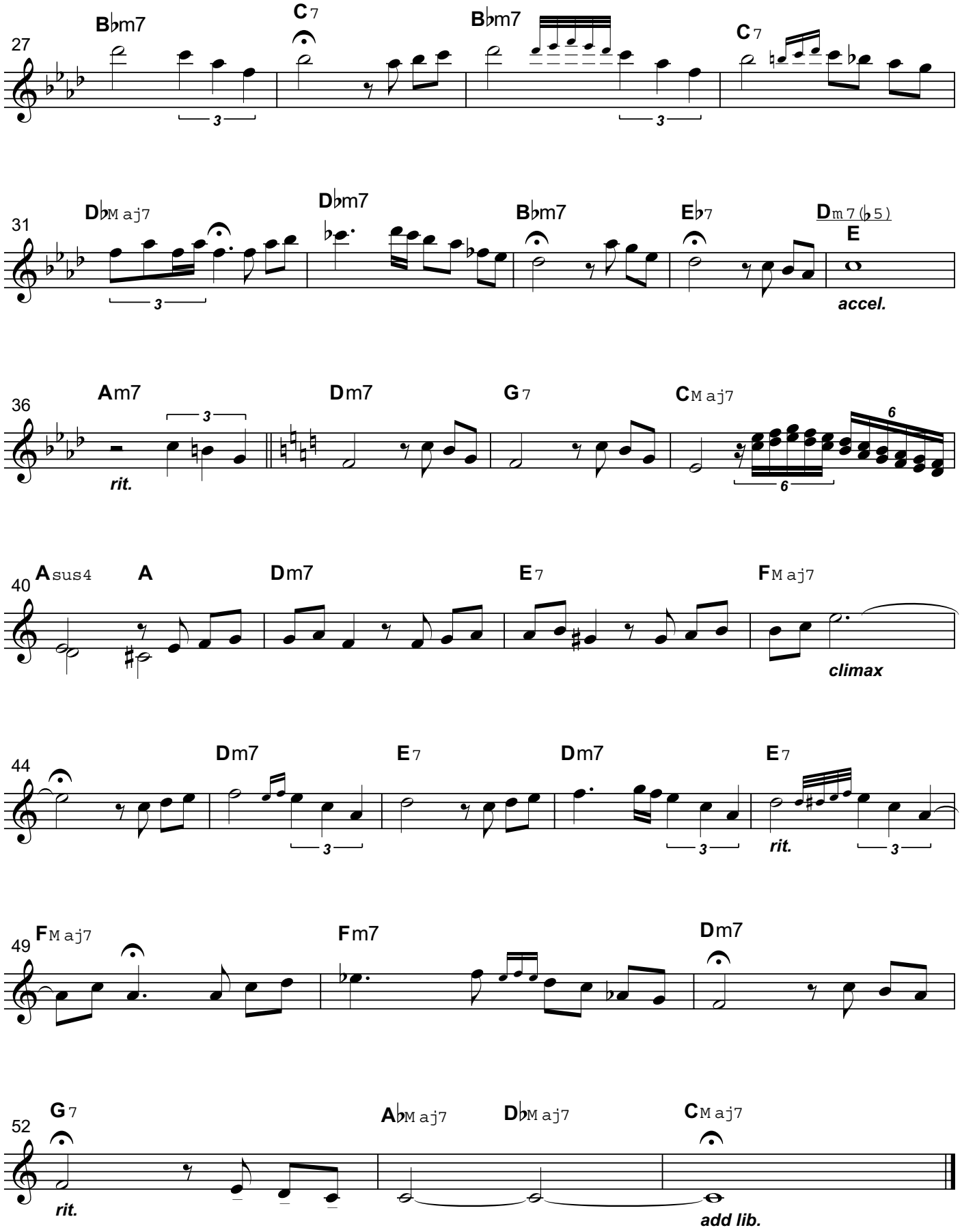
27
B♭m7
C7
B♭m7
C7
31
D♭Maj7
D♭m7
B♭m7
E♭7
Dm7(♭5)
E
accel.
36
Am7
Dm7
G7
CMaj7
rit.
40
Asus4
A
Dm7
E7
FMaj7
climax
44
Dm7
E7
Dm7
E7
rit.
49
FMaj7
Fm7
Dm7
52
G7
A♭Maj7
D♭Maj7
CMaj7
rit.
add lib.

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